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CONFESSION LEFT BY DEAD ROBBER

Clears Two Innocent Men of Murder Charge

Pocketbook Found on Slain Bandit Will Reopen Case Against Prisoners at Des Moines

MOBILE, Ala., Dec. 30.—An unidentified man, believed to be the man who robbed a branch of the Marine Trust & Banking Company of New Orleans of \$13,000 on Christmas Eve, was shot and killed in a pistol fight here today, but not until after the man had seriously wounded Charles Perry, special railway agent, and Patrolman Walter Pistoia, of the Mobile police force. The shots that killed the man were fired by Detective Glibby Wilcox, after a running fight from the platform of a Pullman car through the station to the fruit wharf, where the man dropped dead. The sum of \$12,000 was taken off the man's body, mainly in \$20 bills. He also had two pistols said to have been stolen from the New Orleans bank.

Confesses Murder

A notebook found in the man's

pocket bore the name of W. E. Wright and had been pierced by one of the bullets which killed him. In this book was an entry which stated that he had killed a man by the name of Thomas Griffin in Des Moines, Ia., on November 16, 1923, and that two innocent men had been convicted for the crime and now were in prison. Entries in the notebook added that "in case I get killed I want the truth to come out; it isn't right for two innocent boys to suffer, but as long as I am alive I would not confess."

In the next paragraph an entry said: "I hereby swear that I killed a man named Thomas Griffin in Des Moines on November 16, 1923."

Dead Bandit Identified
DES MOINES, Ia., Dec. 30.—Wm. E. Wright, killed in a pistol fight with police at Mobile, Ala., today, and in whose pocket was found a confession that he killed a Des Moines detective in 1923, was identified by the state investigation bureau as a box car robber who had been convicted and served time both in Iowa and Kansas. He escaped from the Kansas prison. The confession that he killed Thomas Griffin here in November, 1923, may bring the immediate reopening of the case in which two men were convicted and now are serving life sentences, officials here announced when informed of the confession.

Cardinal Giorgi Dead

ROME, Dec. 30.—Cardinal Oreste Giorgi died of pneumonia at his residence in the Palazzo Altompe here today in his sixty-ninth year. He was born in Valmontone, Italy, and was created a cardinal December 4, 1916. He held the office of Grand Penitentiary of the Holy Roman Church.

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KENYA CONGRESS DECIDES FOR PEACE

EAST AFRICAN INDIANS REFUSE NON-CO-OPERATION

President of Assembly Advocates Working With Europeans for Development of Country

NAIROBI, Kenya, East Africa, Dec. 30.—The National Congress of East Africa, after a stormy session lasting two days, has passed important resolutions on the advice of the president of the congress, Abdul Wahid, a Kenya merchant pioneer, who after twenty-five years' residence, is the wealthiest Indian in Kenya. Abdul Wahid who originally had a meeting with Ormsby Gore, Under-Secretary for the Colonies, in London, and another meeting recently with him here, urged in his address that peace should be made with the Europeans, for in the next three years, he declared, he hoped that if this were done, the result would be the establishment of a permanent friendship.

During the debate it was decided that there should not be a non-co-operative opposition, and eventually the congress adopted a resolution to abandon non-co-operation in Kenya, agreeing to accept five nominated Indian seats in the Legislature, to pay poll tax and to accept representation on the Kenya executive council.

NO INVITATION TO PROPOSED PARLEY

BALDWIN CABINET MERELY INQUIRED AS TO POSSIBILITY

Manchester Guardian Stresses Impossibility of Carrying Permanent System Out of Hand

LONDON, Dec. 30.—The British Government has not actually invited the Dominion to the conference in London on the question of the peace and arbitration protocol arranged at Geneva, according to The Manchester Guardian.

"As a matter of fact," the newspaper says, "the Government has been much more circumspect in its attitude than to do so. What the Government has done is to inquire of the Dominions if such a conference is practicable."

The newspaper suggests that if the Premier of the Dominions cannot come to London for the proposed conference, they might follow Canada's example in sending a representative to the conference in London on the Dawes report.

The Guardian says it is persuaded that it is useless to assume that the present Government could set up a permanent system of consultation with the Dominions on foreign affairs.

No great amount of attention to the proposed conference has been aroused in London. Such newspaper comment as there is on the matter is lacking in any surprise that the Dominions show a hesitant attitude toward sending emissaries to London, and in seeing that the British Government well occupied in the forthcoming months with their own parliamentary affairs.

MUTINY HABIT SEEN AGAIN IN IRELAND

Forty Other Ranks of Army Dismissed

Recrudescence of Troubles Includes Two Majors Who Have Been Suspended

DUBLIN, Dec. 30.—It was officially announced last evening that twenty-five non-commissioned officers and sixteen privates had been dismissed from the army and that two majors had been suspended and asked to show cause why their commissions should not be cancelled. The services of a small number of civil employees of the Government also have been terminated.

The official announcement says that efforts have been made for some months by and on behalf of certain former officers, who retired from the army in connection with the mutiny last March to subvert from allegiance members of the army and other state services with a view to renewing the attempt to subject the Government to pressure of an unconstitutional nature. It is added that the executive council "has reason to believe the persons against whom action has been taken were actively associated in such conspiracy."

Not Irish Enough
BELFAST, Dec. 30.—Commenting on the dismissal of twenty-five non-commissioned officers, sixteen men and a number of civil servants and the suspension of the two majors by the Dublin authorities, the Belfast newspaper, 'Unionist,' says pressure is being brought to bear on President Cosgrave and his colleagues not only in connection with the mutiny, but in reference to the general policy of the Government, which some critics regard as not being Irish enough.

The holding of secret meetings of the Government supporters shortly before Christmas, the newspaper adds, shows that a serious split is developing and its action concerning this latest conspiracy is regarded as likely to lead to further developments.

The Irish News, Belfast Nationalist newspaper, says: "More serious than new symptoms of military mutiny is the statement that some members of the civil service were involved in the conspiracy. Some people are so constituted mentally that the habit once formed becomes ineradicable."

Crow Appeal February 3
OTTAWA, Dec. 30.—The appeal of the Prairie Provinces against the ruling of the Railway Board in the Crow's Nest Pass rates will be heard by the Supreme Court of Canada on February 3. This morning the Supreme Court placed the appeal at the head of the list of cases for February term, subject to any criminal case which has statutory precedence.

\$5,000 Seattle Hold-Up
SEATTLE, Dec. 30.—Four men, held up Robin Carlson, newspaper editor for a Seattle ten-cent store, on Second Avenue, in the business district here today, and escaped with \$5,000 in the presence of a crowd.

Oddities in the News

Baby Death Rate Drops in England—Steamless Flats—Rembrandts to Be Auctioned—Sirens to Save Orchards

LONDON—Despite the witness of the climate England is a healthy place to live in, if statistics are anything to go by. The death rate for England and Wales during the third quarter of 1924 was 9.3 for each 1,000 inhabitants, or the lowest on record, according to the Registrar-General's report. The birth rate of 19.3 a 1,000 was also the lowest in any third quarter of the year, except during the war. The chief reasons for the improved death rate return are the absence of summer epidemics among children, and the improved care of infant life.

The rate of natural increase of the population continues to go down. It was 116,710 in the third quarter of 1921; 104,781 in 1922; 98,812 in 1923, and this year ended 94,492. In 1923, 24,000 were married in 1924 than last year, so far as figures are available.

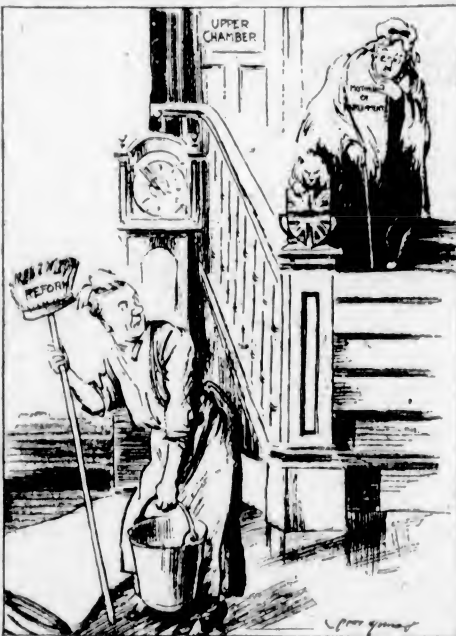
LONDON—Despite the rapid modernization of London, the great metropolis is not to have the advantage, in its design, in a climate as uncertain as that of London, of central steam heating in its new houses now being erected by the London County Council for middle-class tenants. The housing committee of the council recently reported that, in view of the present legal restrictions, the cost of such heating installation would be prohibitive.

SYDNEY, N.S.W.—The Irrigation commission of New South Wales has made available a sum of money to undertake a unique experiment. It is proposed to make tests with marine signalling apparatus to see if it will be effective in scaring starlings and other birds from vineyards and orchards in the irrigation areas. The apparatus consists of a siren used by ships in distress, and would be operated electrically from the farm, the siren itself being placed among the trees or vines.

LONDON—An unusual collection of some 350 Rembrandt etchings, which had been hidden from the art public in an English country squire's private library for nearly a century, has been brought forward for public sale in the near future.

There is said to be no doubt about the genuineness of the etchings, and no one ventures an opinion on their probable value. The forthcoming sale, it is declared, is without precedent in living memory.

The collection was formed early in the 19th century by Edward Rudge, a Middlesex magistrate, a member of a family which dates back to Queen Elizabeth's reign.



THE NEW BROOM
(The necessity of reform in the House of Lords is being pressed on Mr. Stanley Baldwin.)

Mr. Baldwin: "The House of Lords is a very old institution."
The Maid-of-All-Work: "Yes, Ma'am."
Mother of Parliaments: "Come right upstairs!"

—London Opinion.

Mr. Makler, 27,000 feet high, is said to be the finest in peak architecture of the Himalayas.

A few of them paid up finally but most of them failed to pay and involved the bank in enormous losses. The depositors' money was loaned to these and other companies, many of them unreliable concerns, instead of being used in a legitimate banking business. The bank was consequently in many of these companies and consequently well aware of the manner in which the bank's funds were being distributed into risky speculations.

\$750,000 Fire in London
LONDON, Ont., Dec. 30.—Fire which broke out early this morning in the six-story flour mill of Hunt Bros., completely gutted the building and caused damage estimated at upward of three-quarters of a million dollars. In the building was 125,000 bushels of wheat and about 10,000 barrels of flour. There was no loss of life.

Mr. Blake Wilson No Worse
VANCOUVER, Dec. 30.—The condition of Mr. Blake Wilson remained unchanged overnight. As there was no sign for the worse, hope of his recovery is held out, although he is still in a critical condition, it was stated at noon.

ANOTHER DIRECTOR ADJUDGED GUILTY

THIRD OF HOME BANK BOARD TO BE SENTENCED

J. F. M. Stewart, of Toronto, Held Responsible for Approving and Signing False Statements

TORONTO, Dec. 30.—Judge Emerson Coatesworth this morning delivered judgment in the case of J. F. M. Stewart, Toronto, director of the Home Bank of Canada, which failed in August, 1923, finding him guilty of negligence in approving, signing and concurring in false statements of the bank's financial affairs to the Department of Finance at Ottawa. On other charges of making a wilfully false statement and wilfully using a false statement, he was found not guilty. Judge Coatesworth said he would sentence Stewart on January 15. N. W. Rowell, K.C., counsel for Stewart, applied for a certificate for leave to appeal. Argument on this application will be heard tomorrow.

Stewart is the third director of the Home Bank to be convicted of charges under the Canadian Banking Act. C. A. Barnard, Montreal, was found guilty on all three counts, and Clarence F. Smith, Montreal, of negligence. They have appealed their cases and are now on bail pending the result of appeal.

Two Officers Convicted
Two officials, Ocean G. Smith, chief accountant, and Sidney Jones, auditor, were also convicted. Sentence on Ocean G. Smith was suspended, and Jones is serving a term at the jail farm. The trial of R. P. Gough, Toronto, vice-president, is proceeding before Judge Coatesworth on similar charges to those faced by other directors. Casey Wood and J. B. Russell, Toronto, will be tried after the Gough trial is completed.

As in the other convictions, his honor finds that the annual statement for the fiscal year 1923 of the bank is false. He finds that Stewart was a regular attendant at the directors' meetings. He points out that when the bank failed Stewart had deposited \$4,325 in the bank and that the Mercantile Trust Company, recommended mainly as Stewart's company, had a credit of \$18,487.

Associated With Officials
His honor points out that although Stewart was only on the board a little over a year he was intimate with officials for several years previously and was associated with other directors, and was a large borrower.

"On looking over these transactions the painful impression is received that the directors acted for their own benefit and the interest of their companies, and subsequently tied up the funds of the bank, instead of carrying on the bank's business in the interests of the shareholders, the depositors and the public," stated Judge Coatesworth, "therefore, although the accused did not become a director until 1922, he had long before going on the board, seen much of the unfortunate policy which ultimately wrecked the bank."

"An extraordinary combination of companies, in all of which the directors and the accused were largely interested and which were, so to speak, feeding off the bank, came into existence."

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Two Found Dead in Los Angeles
HOLLYWOOD, Calif., Dec. 30.—Milton Holly, retired New York agent, and a woman believed to be his wife, were found dead in a bungalow court apartment here last night. They appeared to have been poisoned, police said, but whether the poison was self-administered or was given to the couple with murderous intent could not be determined.

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relay race will be held along Dallas
Road, through Beacon Hill Park,
along Vancouver Street and to the
association building, two miles in all.

At 10:15 o'clock a men's relay race,
open to teams of four men, will be
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tions of tumbling and drills will be

given by the boys. While this is going

on in the gymnasium, demonstra-

tions will be given in the swimming

pool below by the junior members.

Refreshments will be served during

the afternoon by the Y.M.C.A. Ladies'

Auxiliary.

In the evening, at 8:15 o'clock, a

band concert will be given, in the

gymnasium by the Navy League Sea

Cadets' Band, under Mr. Albert

Turnaby. Admission will be free, but

a silver collection will be taken up in

aid of the band.

The public will be welcome at all

times throughout the day.

Prince Rupert's Mayor

PRINCE RUPERT, Dec. 29.—

Mayor Newton announced today that

he will seek re-election. Ald. Theo.

Collart will also run for the mayor-

alty.

Swiss Invasion Was Fear of Lord French, Lord Bertie States

British Leader Made All Preparations in 1916 to
Repel Drive of Teutons From Direction of Basle—
Kaiser Wilhelm Strongly Fancied Himself as Naval
Expert, According to Former Ambassador

TELLS OF EFFORT MADE TO HALT SALONIKA DRIVE

Lord Bertie of Thame, in the following extracts from his diary, chronicles Lord Kitchener's death, the opening of the Somme battle, and an imposing ceremony on July 14. An amusing story of the Kaiser's hostility due to the fact that Lord Kitchener was a member of the House of Commons is also given.

VIII
DECEMBER 8, 1915.—E. says that French knows he is to go and that he took leave of Joffre, who, on hearing what was to be, threw up his hands and said: "Si nous continuons comme ça nous perdrons." (If we continue like that we shall lose.) Gallieni thinks that, whatever Kitchener and Grey may say, it will be impossible to withdraw from Salonika, which means that it will drown Briand and his Government. Kitchener and Grey are expected tomorrow.

December 20, 1915.—I have had some talk tonight with French. He did not refer to his resignation. He spoke of Kitchener's ignorance of warfare as now carried on and want of knowledge in matters strategical, his persistence in returning to his ideas after they have been knocked on the head.

I am going to the station to see him off tomorrow.

January 20, 1916.—E. writes to the Military Attaché that he has been hustled into granting a committee to consider which is the more likely to be effective, commercial and financial pressure on Germany or force by arms.

This is on the instance of McKenna and Runciman, and aimed against compulsory military service. They think or persuade themselves that more military pressure is not necessary. The Headquarters Staff are solid against this cabal. Robertson will be a hard nut to crack.

An Abortive Conference
January 23, 1916.—There arrived last night Lloyd George, Bonar Law, Colonel Lee, and an official of the Ministry of Munitions. They had a meeting this morning at the Ministry for War on munitions at which the Military Attaché was present. Sir William Robertson was there.

January 26, 1916.—The British party left night G. for Boulogne, whence he goes to G. H. Q. The Munitions Conference, which lasted three hours, served no useful purpose. The British sought information which had already been supplied. L. G. not able to speak one word of French, was annoyed at Bonar Law trying to air the small amount that he commanded.

He was set aside by L. G., who said, "Don't interrupt, let us hear what they have to say through the interpreter." January 31, 1916.—Lloyd George and his companions might just as well have remained in London for all the good they did here. The chief object of the visit was the question of what front line to be the decisive front. In deciding that, Lloyd George, not successful either with Gallieni or with Briand.

February 7, 1916.—I have ascertained that the object of Lloyd George's interview with Briand, which were present Bonar Law and Robertson, was to endeavor to dissuade Briand from any real offensive from Salonika, and to persuade him to concentrate all efforts on the French front; they did not have any success, for Briand remained obstinate. There is considerable rumour that Joffre's days are also numbered and that he will be succeeded by Lytton from Morocco.

Uneasy About Switzerland
February 14, 1916.—Robertson has been at Chantilly today conferring with the staff there. A big German attack is expected between Verdun and Rheims. Mackensen's army, being hurried from Serbia to the French frontier.

The French are very confident. "Let them come," they say of the Germans, "so much the better. Let them all come."

They are rather uneasy about the state of affairs in Switzerland and the possibilities of troubles giving to the Germans the pretext to enter France through Basle; they have made their preparations for such a contingency.

February 16, 1916.—Met at luncheon the Pichons, Georges Cain, and Berckheim. Georges Cain described a visit by Ferdinand of Bulgaria to the Musée Carnavalet in 1910, when he expressed the sentiments of a French Prince: he said that he always wore the Order of St. Esprit.

Cain looked astonished and suggested only on gala occasions. Ferdinand alarmed him by beginning to undress himself, and showed that he had on him the ribbon and the emblem in diamonds of the Saint Esprit; he explained that if he died in the street he would be recognized because of the Saint Esprit.

February 23, 1916.—House is playing a disingenuous part. He has been talking peace to Joffre, who may be ready to listen.

That is not the case here. The French will not listen to buying Alsace-Lorraine by the cession to Germany of some of the French colonies.

Ireland Had Much Explaining
March 13, 1916.—I see in the press that W. Churchill had not decided whether he would return to the front or resume his parliamentary career. How can he decide? He is I take it, under military discipline, and has to do what he may be told to do. What a castigation he got from Arthur Balfour!

May 11, 1916.—An arrival from London gives me the following information: W. Churchill is minded to lead the Unionist party, as he was never really a Liberal. His resignation is being broken up, and he cannot after being in command return to a subordinate position in the Oxfordshire Yeomanry—he would be more useful to the country in politics than in the army. I thought that in wartime no officer can leave the army without special and good reasons.

May 31, 1916.—We were eight to dinner here. Briand was delightful, so light in hand, and that charm of voice.

June 1, 1916.—Ireland, talking of so much time being wasted by loquacity at Cabinet Councils, said that he was obliged to explain matters to his colleagues as the President of the Council, and he asked me to guess who was the most loquacious person at the Council: I said that amongst twenty-two members was difficult to guess, but I should say, from my experience of a French Cabinet meeting which I attended with Asquith, Grey, Lloyd George and Kitchener, that the President of the Republic did most of the talking; Ireland said: "You have guessed it in one."

Kitchener Died Opportunely
June 6, 1916.—I received the announcement of the Hampshire disaster just before luncheon. To me it is a wonder that, with the probability of German submarines lurking on the way to Archangel, vessels should go thither without convoy: more than a year ago the Germans were on the lookout for the ship conveying £1,000,000 sterling in gold from Archangel.

The telegram says that Kitchener and his staff and officers, and all the crew have been lost. These frequent sinkings of our ships are very sickening, but it is the loss of their crews which is so dreadful. I fear that the disappearance of Kitchener will cause great depression in public opinion in England, and in France and Russia.

Who will succeed him? Will it be Lloyd George, l'homme à tout faire (the Jack-of-all-Trades)? If Lloyd George, there will be ructions between him, who is very dictatorial, and Robertson, who is very obstinate.

June 7, 1916.—Poor little FitzGerald! He was very nice and a good friend to Kitchener, who, for his glory, has died at a good moment, viz. before his star had begun to pale with the British public.

Heavy Losses on Somme
June 23, 1916.—There is a violent thunderstorm going on, with deluges of rain and hail. Poor soldiers in the trenches! If they have it there it is not all young. The batteries were not played, which was a disappointment to the spectators.

An each company of Russians approached, however, called out a Russian soldier, like the Emperor does, and they responded as they do to H. M. They are fine but unintelligent-looking men. At the close of the "doodle" the Marcellus was again played, and sung by an opera singer (man), and it was wonderful how well his voice could be heard in the open air.

The President left with his suite from the front of the Petit Palais in automobiles; the others in the tribune made their way through the tribune to the Cour la Reine side of it.

July 21, 1916.—The cost of the French shells and their ammunition fired between February 21 and May 31 on the Verdun front, only was, taking France at par value, £31,200,000.

Kaiser Posed As Strategist
July 22, 1916.—Louis of Battenberg is here to meet his daughter and her husband, Prince Andre, who comes to plead for his brother's dynasty. Amy Paget has been here en route from Gibraltar. She had close of the Kaiser's daughter, Prince Louis of Battenberg, Amy questioned him on the history of the eve of the war.

He said, what is known, that Winston Churchill was a swifter and gave a free hand to Prince Louis, which he used to keep the fleet mobilized. He expressed dislike of the Emperor and related an incident.

William confessed himself not to be a great general, and stated that in military matters he accepted the advice of competent experts, but he aimed to know a little about naval matters, and he produced plans of vessels which he had designed.

Rincke Louis, as an expert, pointed out that the vessels could not float with the guns placed where designed. William got cross, swept away his plans, and did not speak to Prince Louis for the space of twenty-four hours. His naval manoeuvres directed by himself were always the dread and anxiety of his naval officers. Prince Louis dislikes him now even more than before.

American Memory Short
August 2, 1916.—The present conduct of the American Government is disgusting. For electoral purposes, the President is trying to treat the lion's tail. If that animal showed his teeth the President would collapse.

The French Government and press ought to firmly declare solidarity with us in the questions of blockading, seizure of mails, treatment of German submarines, whether combatant or so-called commercial ones. The Americans have forgotten the Lusitania, the Perla and other such cases, and they are not wasting any crocodile's tears over the judicial murder of Captain Pratt.

Talked of Peace Terms
London, August 10, 1916.—The condition of Germany, her desire for peace, and what terms she would propose or accept were discussed. Lloyd George was all for going on until Germany went on her knees, but the difficulty time would be when the Hungarians, Croats, and Slavs deserted Germany as an ally, leaving only the Austrians with her. Ger-

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many might appeal to America to mediate on the terms of withdrawing from Belgium and retreating Alsace-Lorraine to France conditionally on getting back the German colonies.

Would France accept and could we continue to refuse?

I suggested that as Russia, France, England and Italy had each in the past, the destruction of Germany as a world power was necessary, for otherwise war would begin again in a short time. Lloyd George evidently thinks that Germany may break up from within.

After luncheon I went with L. G. to the War Office, and we had some further conversation: he asked whether the French appreciated our aid on the German front, which had relieved the pressure on Verdun. I said that our offensive had been all the more appreciated from its having been so long delayed as to have come at last as a very welcome surprise, and the French were now full of gratitude and praise of our military performance. He starts tonight for Paris, and then to see Haig.

Germany to be Crushed
August 15, 1916.—I had luncheon with Arthur Balfour, the other guests being Robert Cecil, Hankey (the secretary of the War Committee), and Balfour's private secretary, R. Cecil went after luncheon to the House of Commons to answer a question, and there was some conversation between the others in the library.

Balfour asked what would be the attitude of France supposing that Germany offered now to evacuate Belgium and to retrocede Alsace-Lorraine. Would the feeling be in favor of accepting?

I said "No," because France would require more than such an offer, she would not give back anything that she had taken from Germany and she was bound to her allies not to make peace without their concurrence. Moreover, the determination of the French people as a whole was to crush Germany as so to have a durable and not a lame peace.

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Foxy Ferdinand Over-Reached
Balfour asked whether the French would be ready to go through another Winter's campaign. I said "Yes," for recent successes had given them great encouragement, and they felt confident with the aid of their allies of bringing Germany to her knees.

September 4, 1916.—Foxy Ferdinand has over-foxed himself. We are the only people who would believe him.

We believed Constantine also, but now he will find it difficult to persuade his own subjects to believe him. He may be one of those who will be in want of a situation—like the importation of American potatoes into England and Wales on account of the potato bug.

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Wednesday, December 31, 1924

CANADA'S DEFENCE

Mr. A. W. Neill, the Federal member for Comox-Alberni, is to bring up the subject of naval defence at the forthcoming session of Parliament. He is doing well, for the matter has lain in abeyance far too long. He is doing well, too, because it should be ascertained now what is the attitude of the Government which he supports. The Liberal administration at Ottawa has been strangely silent on naval defence. Mr. E. M. Macdonald, the Minister of Defence, says that before there can be Canadian naval defence the people must be educated, and that it is the duty of the Government to take part in the process of education. He is the only Minister who has admitted this, but since the admission nothing has been done by the Government in an educative sense.

We can understand, but not appreciate, the attitude of the Government on naval defence. It is looked upon more from the standpoint of political expediency than from that of national safety. The majority of the Government's supporters hesitate about committing Canada to any policy at all. They prefer adopting a policy of laissez-faire. So far as taking a stand is concerned they fall back on the attitude of Sir Wilfrid Laurier, point to what he advocated as the Liberal policy, but go no farther in the way of advocating that the ships which Sir Wilfrid proposed should be built now, with the designs improved in the light of modern requirements. The Progressive supporters of the Liberal Government, or at least a great proportion of them, do not want Canada to provide for any naval defence at all and the attitude of these Progressives has tended to impose a policy of silence on the matter.

The hope may be expressed that Mr. Neill will stick to his resolution and not be deterred when he gets to Ottawa by any attitude that may be adopted by the Liberal caucus. He is bringing up a subject that is nationally vital but politically unpopular. He can at least tell the House of Commons what is the attitude of the people of the Pacific Coast, who are located where the value of naval power is realized. We have no defence now worthy of the name. We have been "spongers" all through our history for the safeguarding of our ocean-borne commerce. We talk of a national status, but so far, have failed to show that we are willing to assume the pledge of security as implied by evidence of our own exertions. A debate at Ottawa on the subject will, perhaps, under the present regime, lead nowhere, but at least it will reawaken interest in a subject that is of supreme concern to the country's future. How far the experience of the Great War has been successful in removing the question of naval defence from the narrow limits of party politics will be determined by the course of the debate at Ottawa.

ELECTION PROSPECTS

The belief is growing that a Federal election will be held during the coming year and that the season to open on February 5 will be the last of the present Parliament. The Liberal Government believes that the verdict recently given by West Hastings in a by-election is symptomatic of the opinion held throughout the country. During the past few years the political fortunes of the Progressives and the Liberals have been drawing together. The former have, in tariff matters, dictated the policy of the Government and for the favor they have received there is undoubtedly a price to be paid. Part of that price is evident in the continued support they give to the administration on the floor of the House of Commons. The balance will probably be noted in a reciprocal arrangement regarding contests when the next general election is held.

The next election will conceivably be fought on the tariff issue. Most of the by-elections held since the latest tariff reductions have gone in favor of the Government, and Mr. Mackenzie King doubtless concludes that the Progressive-Liberal policy is favored by the country as a whole. The issue then will be to decide whether or not Canada wants a lower tariff still, because the Progressives will unquestionably press forward to their avowed goal of free trade. For our part, we do not believe Mr. Mackenzie King estimates the temper of the country aright. Times have not been prosperous under the Liberal regime. There has been a lack of stabilization in industry, there has been considerable unemployment and taxes, and consequently governmental expenditures, have been maintained at a high pitch. The tampering with the tariff has led to a substantial reduction in revenue, but no noticeable improvement in any phase of the country's life. On the contrary, the tariff re-

ductions have created a feeling of uneasiness throughout all manufacturing centres. The Liberal Government will probably find that uneasiness reflected at the polls when the next election takes place.

THE NEW AGENT-GENERAL

The appointment of Mr. F. A. Pauline, a former Liberal member of the Legislature of British Columbia, to the position of Agent-General in London will meet with approval. Mr. Pauline already knows something of the Motherland through having been educated there, and he knows a good deal about British Columbia, where all the years of his business career have been spent. He possesses a likable personality; indeed all who have come into contact with him have recognized sterling qualities both of mind and heart. He has been a keen student of trade and commerce and has been one of those legislators who has always preached the gospel of economic development. Mr. Pauline believes in stability. His ideas in this respect are sound and conservative and for this reason he will immediately prove persona grata with the business world of London. His career in a public and semi-public capacity in this city has been one which has shown his anxiety to bring about consistent progress and there is no doubt that his appointment to the post of Agent-General will be learned with satisfaction by business interests throughout the Province.

Placed in a brief few sentences what Britain did in the Great War has seldom been more aptly summarized than in the following from The London Daily Mail: "Alone of the great Allied nations, Great Britain fought from start to finish in the air, on land and at sea, and in each case on the largest possible scale. It is true that at the outset her army was small, but it yet had an appreciable part in defeating the great German thrust to Paris, and it held up and defeated the German effort to reach the coast, which would have meant the doom of the Allies. Moreover, Great Britain fought not in one field, but in every field; and at the close of the war, despite the fact that she was maintaining an enormous Navy, her Army was the strongest existing. Add that her merchant seamen defied the submarines and fearlessly transported food and supplies to our Allies; add that they brought to Europe half the United States army; and add that the British people provided £1,787,000,000 to finance the Allies; and we have an example of energy and achievement that has never been paralleled."

Sir Subramaniam Aiyer, of Madras, who attained considerable notoriety at the close of the Great War by writing a letter defamatory of British rule to President Wilson, the head of a friendly state, is dead at the age of 81. He was a Theosophist and a staunch follower of Mrs. Besant throughout her different changes in political outlook. He had been twice Chief Justice of the High Court Bench, and it was because of his past services to the Empire that his notorious indiscretion was forgiven. At the time Lord Chelmsford's Government informed the offender that his action was viewed with surprise and regret, "but that in view of his age (76), failing health, and past judicial services, it was proposed to take no further action." He continued to draw a substantial pension from the Government he vilified and "renouncement" of the title of knight-hood that had been bestowed upon him a dozen years before.

The British-American of Chicago says: "We often hear young fellows, who scan the horizon for money-making chances, bewail their lack of experience in farming. Otherwise they would go to Canada. Now comes, for the third time, an Englishman named Mitchell, former factory hand in Manchester, who captures the Grand Championship for the best bushel of wheat. He left the big Lancashire city seventeen years ago for far-off Saskatchewan. His 160-acre homestead of untitled land seemed a dream of the future when he took it up, no doubt, but by hard work and intelligent cultivation he made his little farm a profitable asset. For three successive years he has won the prize as supreme wheat-grower of this continent."

The Einstein theory, among other implications, tended to intimate that we are within measurable distance of a definition of "infinity." If it can be defined, the paradox will be that there can be no such thing as infinity. The earth and the moon together, it is estimated (probably inaccurately) absorb only one-two-thousand-millionth part of the heat and light radiated from the sun. In discussing the bounds of "infinity" apparently no attention is paid to the case of Sirius and his Solar system, which is immensely more capacious than ours.

Ontario's policy of reforestation is being expanded. In 1923 the Government provided 2,000,000 young trees for planting in the Province. Last year more than 3,000,000 were supplied. For years past the Government has encouraged the protection and improvement of privately-owned woodlands. In what it is doing the Ontario Government is ahead of any other Provincial Government in the country.

Note and Comment

By R. B. D.

The world today is full of problems. The League of Nations has its problems. Germany has her problems. France has her problems. Italy has her problems. Spain has her problems. Great Britain has her problems. There is not a nation, great or small, rich or impoverished, that has not its problems. Even the United States, which has adopted a position of conspicuous isolation, has its problems, probably the most perplexing problems of all. The Great Republic is making a pretense of trying to enforce prohibition, its police are making a pretense of trying to suppress crime, and both the nation and the police are making efforts, more or less serious, to check the immigration into the country of desirables and undesirable.

Even Canada is not immune from the troubles of the times. To begin at the top, consider the problems of Right Hon. William Lyon Mackenzie King. The Premier is confronted with the immediate problem of freight rates, with the almost immediate problem of meeting Parliament and persuading Parliament to keep him in power, and with the remote problem of meeting the people in a general election and persuading them to permit him to stay in power.

All the problems of Right Hon. William Lyon Mackenzie King are directly related to each other, and all the actions of Right Hon. William Lyon Mackenzie King have a direct relation to solving or dodging his problems. The immediate position of the Premier is that he has overruled a decision of a very important Canadian court, the Railway Commission, and by doing it has assured himself of the support of the agrarian independents of the Prairies and the Government against any immediate prospect of defeat either in Parliament or in the constituencies.

But in doing this Mr. King has aroused deep resentment in the East and strained the relations between his Government and the Government of this Province—unless, of course, the position of the Government of this Province on the matter of freight rates is not to be taken seriously, and there are many people who insist that the position of the Government of this Province on the matter of freight rates is a purely Pickwickian position. There are some who maintain that the Government of Right Hon. William Lyon Mackenzie King and the Government of Hon. John Oliver are merely collaborating with each other for party purposes in this matter of freight rates.

Surveying the situation nearer home, we are confronted with some very interesting and very perplexing problems. Take the sale of beer by the glass, or in whatever kind of vessel it may eventually be decided to sell beer. That issue involves a veritable wasp's nest of problems—problems for the Government, problems for the municipalities, problems for polling divisions within the municipalities, and one great, big problem for the individual Liquor Commissioner. We are told that Mr. Davidson is a big man and a strong man, and that he is just the man for the job—provided he is let alone and not interfered with by the political bosses within the Government and the political bosses not within the Government. Well, all we have to say on the subject is that we wish Mr. Davidson success in his difficult undertaking.

Victoria is not directly interested in the question of the sale of beer by the glass. She has voted herself out of court, as it were. Therefore Victoria can stand aside and watch her neighbors selling beer by the glass—or rather fragments of her neighbors selling beer by the glass—for a commission sitting in Vancouver has decided that the sale of beer by the glass shall not be general either within the Metropolitan area or within Lesser Vancouver. Beer by the glass is invited to be sold in spots in Vancouver. The spots which voted against beer are not going to have it, and the spots which voted for it are going to have it—a monopoly of it. There are to be arid spots and damp spots. That is why we think we shall take a trip over to Vancouver when a sale of beer by the glass is "inaugurated," and watch the rush from the unfavored to the favored parts of the city. The sight should be worth going a long way to see.

As we have pointed out, Victoria has merely an academic or abstract interest in this matter of the sale of beer by the glass. Our neighbors in Esquimalt and in the disjointed constituency known as The Islands have a direct interest in it. Presumably the people of Esquimalt and The Islands will be permitted to drink beer by the glass. That assumption is natural, but whether the drinking of beer in those places, like the drinking of beer in Vancouver, will be restricted to spots, we do not know. Probably a commission will sit in due time and decide that damp question. After it is settled we shall take up a position on the celebrated Johnson Street bridge and survey the rush of the crowds to the marts of trade. We fear the twins will then be taxed to capacity, thus fulfilling their manifest destiny. We can assure our readers that that is the only interest we have in the question of the sale of beer by that glass—that and the interest which every citizen ought to

Canada's Story Day

By BLOWEN DAVIES

DECEMBER 31
The Welland Canal today has solved for Canada a problem which was puzzling her navigators as long ago as the seventeenth century. How to take a ship up the Niagara River to the lake beyond was a subject occupying the mind of the explorer, La Salle, who with his followers was so anxious to penetrate the unknown wilderness to the West. La Salle conceived the plan of building a fort above the Falls, and establishing a shipyard where he could construct a ship capable of navigating the Upper Lakes. To carry out his plans he sent La Motte, an explorer, and Father Hennepin, a missionary, to Niagara to urge the Indians in the vicinity to assist him in his scheme. The envoys found the Seneca suspicious of the plan, and so set themselves to work to win their sympathy and goodwill. For this purpose they decided to visit the chief village of the Seneca. They reached there on the 17th, and were well received by the red people. To win their friendship, the Frenchmen had to undergo some revolting experience. On this occasion one of the treats provided for their entertainment was the roasting alive of an Indian prisoner!

Today, December 31

Is the Anniversary of:

Birth of Charles Edward Stuart, "the Young Pretender"; Rome, 1720.
Birth of Charles, first Marquis Cornwallis; London, 1731.
Death of John Wycliffe, the early reformer leader; Luttrell, Leicestershire, 1384.
Death of American general Montgomery in his vain attack on Quebec; 1775.
Death of Robert Boyle, eminent natural philosopher, one of the founders of the Royal Society of London, son of the great Earl of Cork; London, 1691.
Death of John Flamsteed, first Astronomer Royal of England; Greenwich, 1719.
Death of Leon Gambetta, the noted French statesman; Sevres, 1882.
Death of Peter MacQuade, the well-known Victoria merchant; 1884.
Granting of charter to the East India Company, by the British Government.
Selection of Ottawa as the capital of Canada by the late Queen Victoria; 1847.
Institution of the Military Cross; 1914.

MAY BUILD FACTORY NORTH OF VICTORIA

Gyros Urge Chamber of Commerce to Induce Carnation Milk Co. to Locate on Island

The Gyro Club of Victoria, at their monthly business meeting held yesterday afternoon at the private dining room of the Hudson's Bay Company store, instructed its secretary to communicate with the Victoria Chamber of Commerce, urging the body to do all in its power to convince the Carnation Milk Company that Vancouver Island is the right place for the company to build its proposed new factory.

Past President Harold Butterfield stated that he had received information to the effect that the Carnation Milk Company was contemplating the construction of a factory either in the Chilliwack Valley or on Vancouver Island, north of Victoria. While he did not know whether the Chamber of Commerce was as yet aware of this fact, Mr. Butterfield suggested that the Gyro Club could bring the matter to the attention of the Chamber's industrial committee, with the prospect of inducing the company to build here, and the Gyros would be prepared to give whatever assistance to the Chamber that it might desire. This met with the approval of the members.

The Victoria Gyro Club was invited to be represented at the annual installation and banquet of the Gyro Club of Seattle, which will take place next Saturday night in the new Seattle hotel, the Olympic. In three distinct places I referred to a proposed "Sinking Funds and Public Lands Commission." I quite correctly used "caps" for the initial letters of each of the words. For some reason known only to the office boy he "improved" that which was correct and rendered it otherwise. Let me compare my work with his. I wrote:

1. Create a Sinking Fund and Public Lands Commission.
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In two subsequent places he took the trouble to make a not dissimilar change. He was insistent that the title of the commission should be "sinking funds and Public Lands Commission," and I must be equally insistent.

Woolworth Premises Destroyed
VICTORIA, B.C., Dec. 30.—Fire which broke out at 10 o'clock, last evening caused more than \$40,000 damage and practically destroyed the Woolworth Building and its stock.

New Beer Licences To Follow Tour of New Commissioner

Licences for the sale of beer by the glass in districts which favored that method when the prohibition was taken last June will not be granted until Mr. Hugh Davidson, the newly-appointed chief of the Government's liquor business completes a tour of inspection of the various "wet" areas. Attorney-General Manson said yesterday that the Government was leaving the entire matter in the hands of Mr. Davidson. He had not been informed of the new commissioner's decision to make a province-wide inspection, he said, but he was confident that the move was a good one.

APPREHENSIVE AS TO FRANCE'S MOVE

HERRIOT'S DEBT DECLARATION RELIEVES WASHINGTON

President Coolidge Makes No Hasty Conclusions, But Keeps the "Big Stick" Handy

LONDON, Dec. 30.—Next year will be an ideal time for an Allied debt conference which conceivably might result from the Paris meeting of Allied finance ministers next month, according to opinions expressed in some official quarters in London today. It is believed that the atmosphere has been greatly cleared by official and unofficial statements made by some of the Allied governments in recent months, and Great Britain, while she will not take the lead in calling such a debt conference, would welcome some kind of an understanding for a settlement of the inter-Allied debt question.

No Hasty Conclusions

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—President Coolidge has drawn no hasty conclusions from the recent swirl of developments surrounding the French war debt and sees no occasion for action by the American government on the basis of present advice. Unequivocal assurance from the French embassy that France had no thought of disavowing her war debt to the United States has served largely today to mollify the wave of apprehension enveloping the American capital on the heels of what was construed as a hint from Paris of the possibility of such a course.

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The President is watching the situation closely, however, and should there be any further move by the French government to repudiate its obligations it might influence the White House strongly in its attitude toward the revision of private French loans in this country. While there is no legal restriction giving the federal government authority over loans which foreign governments sought to place with private interests in this country, the advice of Washington usually is sought by the prospective investors and usually is sufficient to determine the fate of any such venture.

The New Agent-General

Sir—As an old-timer and one who has watched events, permit me to congratulate the Government of British Columbia on its choice of Mr. F. A. Pauline as its next Agent-General of British Columbia. Congratulations are in order, I am sure, to this Province.

JOHN H. DIXON,
430 Quebec Street, Victoria, B.C.,
Dec. 30, 1924.

A Question of Capitals

Sir—It is perhaps not surprising that the twin pillars of the newspaper world—the office boy and the printer's devil—should make a little merry at this festive season. Surprising only at this time of the year, the printer's devil of a mess of my letter on tax reduction in 1925.

The handwriting of the printer's devil is clearly distinguishable from that of his chum. He makes portions of my letter read like an attempt to record an auditor's efforts at tuning in on the radio. But as I wish to remain on good terms with the devil, I will grin and bear it. He will continue to do as he likes, anyway.

But the office boy dealt me "the most unkind cut of all." And if you, Mr. Editor, will permit me to suggest, I am sure you will allow me to preserve a little of my preference for correct as against incorrect diction.

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FIFTY YEARS AGO TODAY

(From The Daily British Colonist of December 31, 1874.)

Lillooet District—Messrs. Humphreys and Brown, members of the local House from Lillooet District, waited on the Prefecture Inspector and suggested the establishment of a mail route from Lillooet via Fraser River to the coast. They also suggested the establishment of a mail route from Dog Creek to Chilliwack, and from Dog Creek to Abbotsford.



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insistent that the title shall remain as I gave it, "Sinking Funds and Public Lands Commission." A friend of mine came in from Regina to Victoria and thought he could run over the whole Island in half a day. Not to be found wanting for an answer, I told him we had seaplanes that might possibly cover the Island in the time stated, but mentioned we had not yet reached the port of taking tourists in the air. However, my friend says that he saw no literature anywhere in Regina, and had he taken notice of the usual Vancouver advertising this city gets, he would probably not have visited Victoria at all.

The size of Victoria, its picturesque surroundings and very mild climate, also the size of Vancouver Island, have impressed my friend very much, and what is more, he made the very interesting suggestion that we might well call the Island Victoria Island. This change in name would give Victoria the advertising Vancouver must naturally get when mentioning Vancouver Island.

I believe Vancouver city is well advertised in The Regina Leader, but nothing is mentioned about Victoria. Victoria's hotels, rooming houses and golf links should be as full in winter as in summer. Being a publicity man, I am sure that the Eastern cities as well as the States, then probably we shall see signs on most of our hotels, "All rooms taken." Instead of most of our people going South every winter, Victoria's climate equals and surpasses many cities to the South of us, so why let such a chance slip by? I trust the city Publicity Bureau will send some publicity material East about Victoria, and the Provincial Publicity Bureau something about the Island.

JOHN ROWLAND,
615 Belleville Street, Victoria, B.C.,
Dec. 29, 1924.

Oriental Problem

Sir—In your issue of December 23 I notice where your correspondent H. A. Wilson wants more of our city merchants to follow the example of one of our local coal dealers and only employ "white help." I take the privilege, through you, sir, to point out to your readers that a clause was inserted in the contract to the effect that the firm had to employ "white help." By the Provincial Government, where they are now doing business before they could get access to the property. That being the case, in all fairness the credit should go to the "Oriental administration." On the other hand, how far has the said administration got with the "Oriental problem" in our midst?

In the last hours of the session just ended a bill was introduced asking all "employers of labor" in the Province to discharge the Orientals and put "white help" in their place. In my humble opinion it was only a waste of time and energy. So long as an employer can legally employ any color of labor, it stands to reason that he will not pay \$3 per day to a white man when he can get a brown one for \$1.50, as there is no sentiment in business.

Personally, I bear no animosity against Orientals, but being a wage earner I realize that this is an economic question and that self preservation is the first law of nature. I am

WALTER INWARD,
1446 Lang Street, Victoria, B.C.,
Dec. 29, 1924.

Riddles and Their Origin

Sir—In last Sunday's (27th inst.) Colonist, under the head of "Riddles and Their Ancient Origin," a poetic riddle on the letter "H" is attributed to Miss Farnshaw as the author. This must be a mistake. In an edition of Byron's, dated 1826, the poem (called an enigma) is attributed to him, and he must undoubtedly be the author. The poem is complete in its own right, and is longer than that in The Colonist, which I presume had quoted only the first few lines.

J. T. L. MEYER,
1184 Esquimalt Road, Victoria,
B.C., Dec. 29, 1924.

National Disarmament

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—President Coolidge is hopeful, but not certain, that it will be possible to hold another international naval disarmament conference within another year. Whenever the time for such a conference is propitious, Mr. Coolidge will exert his influence to bring it about, but at the present time he is unable to determine when a conference might be called with fair prospects of success.

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BOYS' PARLIAMENT TO CONCLUDE TODAY

EARNEST CONSIDERATION OF AFFAIRS IS SHOWN

Idea That Assembly Meets in "Mock" Sessions Is Scorned by the Minister of Finance

Vigorous denial was made in the Legislature yesterday, where the second session of the British Columbia Boys' Parliament is being held, that there was anything of a "make-believe" character about the assembly. Bert Bailey, Minister of Finance, declared that the Parliament had been formed with the idea of promoting all those things in the best interest of British Columbia boys.

"We are passing legislation which will be put into effect to govern boys' work," he said. "The first session a year ago has borne good results in the increased monetary support of boys' work, and in the large increase in the number of those taking part in the Canadian Efficiency Test. It is up to the members of this Parliament to prove to those opposed to the assembly of a Boys' Parliament that our sessions are not, in any degree, mock sessions."

The boys have held four sessions, and it is believed that at the conclusion of two sessions today, that the Parliament will be in a position to prorogue. The various sessions have been marked with which the members view the various matters which are brought up for consideration. It is the desire of the Parliament to obtain regulations which will bring forth the highest possible efficiency in organization and operation of Tuxis and Trail Ranger clubs.

The reply to the Speech from the Throne was passed with commendable dispatch at the session Monday evening.

National Parliament
Premier Owen introduced a resolution endorsing the principle of a National Boys' Parliament and arranging for the election of representatives from British Columbia. The Parliament will be held at Ottawa during the Christmas holidays of 1933.

Much appreciation has been expressed by the boys of the treatment received at the hands of their hosts in Victoria.

Several acts of importance in their relation to boys' work were given first reading yesterday afternoon. The Minister of Physical Affairs, Elmer Spear, in the Athletic Contest Act, calls for Provincial Canadian Standard and Efficiency Tests. It does not call for competitive events, but requires each boy to measure up to a standard and be graded accordingly. Points would be awarded and the group whose members had gained for it the greatest number of points would be champions of the Province.

Premier Owen is sponsor of the Four-Fold Development Act. The act aims to stimulate the taking up of the full programme of the C.B.E.T., including the athletic, intellectual, devotional and artistic branches. In the past, he believes, some of the boys have confined themselves too much to one particular branch.

George Miller, Provincial Secretary, has brought forward an act entitled the Provincial Parliament Act Amendment Act, setting dates for election of members of the Boys' Parliament next year. It is probable that the number will be increased from 37 to 48.

Among the resolutions on the order paper are several which call for rearrangement of badges by the awarding of journalist, patriot, cooking requirement and running badges. S. Breeden, of Vancouver, will speak to a resolution calling for a yearly athletic convocation. Harold Fullerton

Now Contesting Will



MRS. GERTRUDE A. GOMPERS

Widow of the late Labor leader, who will contest the will of her husband. The will provides that the minimum amount allowed by law be given Mrs. Gompers, the balance to be divided amongst Mr. Gompers' children, by his first wife. The present Mrs. Gompers was married to the Labor chief in 1921, a union which occasioned much surprise.

MR. PAULINE IS AGENT-GENERAL

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the best use of the work of his predecessor in office, and thus reaping for British Columbia the results of Mr. Wade's efforts in a concrete way. A tentative plan has been discussed by the Executive Council which calls for the establishment of a form of commercial bureau through which exporters in this country may be kept in touch with the needs and requirements of reliable information, with the trend of Old Country markets and possibilities of trade development. The bureau would also serve to supply Old Country interests with up-to-date information respecting British Columbia.

The government also has in mind the development of closer trade relations between the British manufacturer and the British Columbia consumer, and the encouragement of further investment of British capital in the utilization of the great natural resources of the Province. Mr. MacLean, realizing the necessity for a strong and able presentation of the true possibilities and the resources of the Province, considers that the long and successful business experience of Mr. Pauline, and his intimate and comprehensive knowledge of the Province, will prove of great value in furthering the interests of British Columbia when he becomes its representative at the heart of the Empire.

An Active Career

Like many other public men in Western Canada, the new Agent-General has had an active, varied and interesting career. He was born at Henley-on-Thames, Oxfordshire, educated at the Grammar School there and at St. Mary's College, London, and served his apprenticeship as a stationer in the city of Birmingham. He was drawn to the West by the love of adventure, and landed in Victoria as a young man in 1884. His commenced life here as a reporter on The Colonist, and later engaged successfully in a variety of enterprises, finally entering the wholesale dry goods business and building up a large and flourishing establishment which traded profitably throughout British Columbia, Alberta and the Yukon. From the management of this business he retired in 1911.



Tired Tim: "I've got a wife and six kids all a-starvin', Guv'nor."
Reginald: "Really, you know, I don't want to hear all this family gossip."
—The Passing Show.

asks for Bible extracts to be included in school texts. Harold Lang, Minister of Devotional Affairs, is sponsor of a resolution which urges every member of the Trail Rangers and Tuxis to pay greater attention to daily Bible reading and prayer. Albert Bevan, North Shore's Powell River, has introduced a resolution calling for a safety first campaign and the grading of mentors. A resolution of J. R. McLean calls for education on problems. Howard Stewart asks for a session of the members at the annual Summer Camp; not, however, for legislative work. R. Wallace calls for an extension of the franchise in the election of members to the Boys' Parliament. H. S. Carlson has introduced a resolution with the C.B.E.T. programme for the year.

SANTA VISITS VETERANS

Santa Claus and a number of his little friends among the kiddies of club members and returned soldiers were the guests of the Veterans of France at their clubrooms on Monday for three happy hours, from 3 to 4 p.m. After a sumptuous spread in the main dining-room the kiddies came down to the reading-room to a handsomely decorated Christmas tree over which Santa presided and saw that every kiddie was remembered. Upstairs again, games, music and fun, lots of ice cream and more to eat, ended the afternoon. The members were indebted to the ladies' auxiliary and numerous friends for assistance both before and at the happy event.

As an active member of the old Victoria Board of Trade and its successor, the Chamber of Commerce, Mr. Pauline always has taken the optimistic viewpoint to be expected from such a firm believer in the future of the Province. He was president of the Board of Trade in 1907-1908, has filed several other offices in that organization and is now a director of the Chamber of Commerce. He has worked and spoken unceasingly in the interests of the establishment of the iron and steel industry in the Province, and is one of the best posted men in British Columbia on that subject.

Was Council Member

For several years Mr. Pauline was a member of the Victoria City Council, the citizens' ticket in 1908 and doing a vast amount of excellent work for his fellow citizens. He gave voluntary service as one of the local improvement commissioners from 1914 to 1923. After retiring from business he began to take a more active interest in politics than he had previously had time for, and in 1914 he was elected as a member of the Legislature for Saanich, being re-elected in 1920. He was unanimously chosen as Speaker of the House in the last Legislature.

BRANDON, Man, Dec. 30.—Dr. Franklin W. Sweet, president of Brandon College, who came here from Cleveland, Ohio, about two years ago, and is very widely known in Baptist circles in the United States and Canada, dropped dead early this evening.

COUNSEL ON RATES TO ATTEND APPEAL

PROVINCIAL INTERESTS BOUND UP IN COURT HEARING

Mr. G. G. McGeer Prepared to Leave for East—Premier to Attend Peace River Conference

British Columbia will be represented at the hearing before the Supreme Court of Canada of the appeal lodged by the Governments of the Prairie Provinces against the action of the Board of Railway Commissioners in suspending the Crow's Nest Pass agreement affecting freight rates as from October 1, according to an announcement made yesterday by Premier John Oliver. Mr. G. G. McGeer, government rates counsel, is holding himself in readiness to proceed to Ottawa to attend the hearing. Premier Oliver declared that the appeal would involve the whole question of rates discrimination and, therefore, was of paramount importance to British Columbia. He pointed out that while the Province was not an actual party in the hearing, its interests were as much involved as were those of the Prairie Provinces.

Premier Oliver expects to leave Thursday night for the Federal Capital in order to attend the conference called for January 9 to discuss ways and means of solving the Peace River transportation problem which, it is expected, will involve the Provincial Government's railroad, the Pacific Great Eastern. He does not expect that he will have an opportunity to advance the case of British Columbia in respect to freight rates, but he indicated that if any chance presented itself while he was in the East, he would take care not to miss it.

"The whole rate situation appears now to be reaching a crisis, and a permanent solution of the problem seems closer now than ever before," he concluded.

OBITUARIES

CLARK—There passed away early yesterday morning at his home, 1852 View Street, Mr. Joseph Clark, aged seventy-three years. He was born in Glasgow, Scotland, and had been a resident of this city for forty-five years. The late Mr. Clark was very well known, as he was employed for many years by the C.N.F. Co. and also by the C.P.R. as foreman of the ships' carpenters. The remains are reposing at the chapel of the R.C. Funeral Co., where service has been arranged for Friday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Interment will be made in the family plot at Ross Bay Cemetery.

LAYARD—The funeral of the late Colonel Brownlow Villiers Layard took place from his late residence at Deep Cove, Saanich, yesterday at 11:30 o'clock, proceeding to Holy Trinity Church, where service was conducted by the Rev. T. M. Hughes, assisted by the Rev. J. S. A. Bastin. There was a very large attendance of friends and many beautiful floral offerings were received. The hymns sung were "Holy Father, Cheer Our Way," and

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followed to pay their last respects. He leaves a widow and children to mourn his loss.

FEAR—The funeral of the late John Fear, who passed away Christmas morning at the Royal Jubilee Hospital, took place yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the Bands Funeral Chapel. Rev. F. L. Stephenson officiated. Relatives and many friends were in attendance and the floral tributes were many and beautiful. Messrs. A. H. Brier, C. F. Handfield, E. Villers, W. Marshall, J. C. Thompson and C. Ganner were pallbearers. The remains were laid to rest at Ross Bay Cemetery.

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REV. DR. WILSON URGES MUTUAL
CONSIDERATION FOR OTHERS

Christmas Message at Rotary-Kiwanis
Gathering—Mayor-Elect Pen-
drey Receives Ovation

A highly successful joint luncheon of the Rotary and Kiwanis Clubs of Victoria was held yesterday in the Chamber of Commerce auditorium at noon, and attended by a large representation of the membership of each organization. The Rotarians were the official hosts of the day, and the guests, the Kiwanians, were responsible for the most excellent programme of entertainment rendered during the gathering.

A Christmas message was delivered by Kiwanian Rev. Dr. W. G. Wilson, who declared that the Christmas spirit was the Christ spirit, and wondered if this spirit could not permeate the year by being intensified, developed and made more influential throughout the community by the various service clubs. He cautioned against the aggravating of people by which friction and unhappiness would be created, and urged that no opportunity be lost that will re-establish broken friendships, augment friendships that are not severed, and perpetuate the Christmas spirit.

Dr. Wilson claimed that Rotary had been born in response to the real heart-hunger for practical friendship. Rotary had caught the spirit of Christmas, the spirit of service, and had put it into practical form. The tragedy of Christmas was that it passed so soon. He hoped that everyone would capture the spirit of last week as they had never done before. He advocated a real effort for mutual consideration on the part of each for the other person, that each try to sit where the other man sits, and discuss problems from each other's viewpoint.

Would Aid in Solving Problems
"It that were done industrial, racial, national and international problems would be more quickly solved," Dr. Wilson said, amid prolonged applause.

Enjoyable vocal solos were rendered during the luncheon by Mrs. A. Dowell and Mr. Thomas Kelway, the former being accompanied at the piano by Mr. Fred King. The Rotary Club orchestra delighted with musical numbers.

Mayor-elect J. Carl Pendray, a member of the Rotary Club, was introduced, and extended a vociferous welcome, including generous outbursts of cheers and applause.

In turning the gavel over to the Kiwanis president, Dr. Howard Miller, a short review of the history and objects of Rotary was given by Mr. James H. Healy, president of the Victoria Rotary Club. Rotary now operated in twenty-eight countries, having a membership of over 100,000. He said that the need and value of service was never more required by Victoria than right now, when the city was entering a new era, and signs of coming prosperity and better times were so bright. He hoped the service club members would play their part in this big undertaking.

Congratulations to the Victoria Rotary Club for its past achievements were tendered by Dr. Howard Miller, the Kiwanis president. Miller praised Rotarians for their initiative, calibre of membership, peculiar faculty of seeing the needs of the community, and tangible kindliness to others in the community less fortunate than themselves. Rotary has been the very spirit of Christmas, he asserted, bringing to many poor children joys that they would otherwise not receive.

BRITISH STATESMAN LEAVES B.C. ESTATE

Late Premier Bonar Law's Will Subject of Formal Application in Supreme Court Here

The quiet of holiday week in Supreme Court circles was broken by an application relative to the probate of the will of a former premier of Great Britain, the late Rt. Hon. Andrew Bonar Law. The application before Mr. Justice Gregory, for the resealing of the probate, was granted. It was made on behalf of the executors of the estate, Elizabeth Law, of London, Eng.; William Pitt-Rivers, of Herts, England; Scotland, and William Maxwell Aitken, Baron Haverbrook of Haverbrook, in the Province of New Brunswick, and of Chertsey, England.

The British Columbia part of the estate is confined to \$582 worth of stock in the Pacific Mills, Limited, in various other provinces there are holdings of comparatively small amounts in different monetary and industrial concerns, including the Bank of Nova Scotia and the Cock-shutt Flow Company, of Bradford, Ont. The total assets of the estate are enumerated, amount to about \$250,000.

LUTHERAN SERVICES
A delightful Christmas programme was given Monday evening at St. Paul's Lutheran Church by the members of the Sunday school assisted by the choir. The church was filled to capacity for the festive occasion and many expressed sentiments of the highest appreciation to the pastor and to members of St. Paul's Church at the close of the service.

According to Lutheran custom, dating back over four hundred years to the days of Luther, the Biblical story of the Christ Child was retold in verse and song, evoking all elements of pagan origin and other irrelevant features of entertainment. The church was attractively decorated for the service. The chancel was reconstructed into a snow-covered stable, and within was the manger and the babe, while overhead the star of Bethlehem shone brightly, casting its shining rays from a soft bluish sky on the snow beneath. At the close of the service gifts of books, boxes of candy, oranges and nuts were distributed to the members of the Sunday school, and bags containing candy, oranges and nuts, together with booklets, were given out to the other children present.

A Sylvester Eve service will be held this evening at a o'clock and the holiday decorations will be in evidence for this service also.

One sentenced to life imprisonment in Belgium on conviction for murder is regarded as legally dead and his estate sold.

VANCOUVER VISITOR ACQUITTED OF CRIME

Police Magistrate Finds Nothing to Prove Harry Amherst Knew Whisky Stolen

Police Magistrate Jay yesterday morning acquitted Harry Amherst, Vancouver, charged with retaining stolen liquor. The magistrate reviewed the circumstances connected with the transaction and described the conduct of the accused as reprehensible, but said he could not find in the evidence submitted anything to make it clear that Amherst knew that the liquor that had come into his room had been stolen.

LIQUOR PROFITS ARE DISTRIBUTED

VICTORIA GETS SHARE ALSO OF
RACETRACK REVENUE

City of Vancouver Gets Largest Share as Distribution Is Made on Per Capita Basis

Victoria's share of Government liquor profits distributed yesterday totaled \$37,837. The city also received \$30,913 in share of revenue derived from racetracks operated in the Province. Total amounts distributed were: Liquor profits, \$37,837; pari-mutuel revenue, \$30,913. The various municipalities secured the following amounts, computed on a basis of per capita:

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Social Events

Fr. Hostess

Miss Ellen Lawrence, Island Road, was hostess yesterday afternoon at a very delightful tea in honor of her sister-in-law, Mrs. H. Grant Lawrence, of Vancouver. Among those present were: Miss Frances Williams, Miss Molly Plower, Miss Thelma Burgess, Miss Helen Starr, Miss Helen Elliott, Miss Eileen Haslam, Miss Helen Goward, Miss Ethel Bale, Miss Iris Burton, Miss Norma MacDonald, Miss Helen MacDonald, Miss Mary Campbell, Miss Margaret Campbell, Miss Margaret Hanson, Miss Dorothy Scott, Miss Lillian Michaelis, Miss Alice Strolger, Miss Violet Kerrington, Miss Violet Lewthwaite (Vancouver), Miss Helen Briggs, Miss Kathleen Fraser, Miss Agnes Lee, Miss Margaret Muir, Miss Mary Clay, Miss Kathleen Gray, Miss Jean McLaren, Mrs. W. Ellis, Miss "Kit" Johnson, Miss Dorothy Pendergast, Miss Kathleen Bradshaw, Miss Barbara Gibson, Miss Mabel Hartley, Miss Jean Brockbank.

Christmas Dance

A very jolly Christmas dance was given by Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Grant, at the Wood, 285 Cook Street, on Monday evening in honor of the guests of the house. Miss Carter, Miss Wias and Miss Morton very kindly provided the music for the dancing, and in addition to these guests the following others were present: Mr. and Mrs. C. Griffiths, Mr. and Mrs. A. Pettie, Miss Mona Rickaby, Miss Grace, Miss Marjorie Gregg, Miss Moore, Miss Judge, Miss

Wias, Miss Carter, Miss Paterson, Miss

Whitney, Miss Marling, Miss Elenkenbach, Miss Morton and Messrs. Sidney Wriglesworth, A. J. Wilson, Herbert Allen, Fred Haves, William Thurston, Fred Morton, E. S. Bird, A. H. Findlay, Mr. Moss, E. S. Bird, J. A. MacPherson, Kenneth Cochran and Master Jack Grant.

Host at Children's Party

Among the many happy gatherings held during the festive season was the children's party given by Mrs. J. R. Berneer at her home on Deal Street. The children entered heartily into the spirit of the occasion and greatly enjoyed the dancing, games and music. Delicious refreshments were served, and before departing, each little visitor received a pretty parcel of candy.

Empress Hotel Ball

Over 550 reservations have been received by the Empress Hotel for the New Year's Eve dance tonight. The management anticipates that tonight's attendance will make a record for the annual affair, which is so well attended each year. To accommodate the large number of guests at the supper hour tables have been placed in one end of the rotunda, which has been set aside for this purpose, since the dining-room will prove inadequate for the throng of guests.

Mining Man Here

Mr. J. C. Naas, the well-known mining engineer who has been operating in British Columbia since the early days of the first mining excitement in the Boundary District, from Nelson to the Similkameen, in 1892, has moved his headquarters from Spokane to Seattle so as to be in closer touch with the development taking place in Stewart District, where he is already interested.

R.V.Y. Club

Everything is in readiness for the guests who intend seeing the old year out and the new year in this evening at the Royal Victoria Yacht Club. Already over 200 reservations have been made for the dance, which is always one of the most popular of the New Year rendezvous. Heaton's Orchestra will supply the music. Invitations are only obtainable through some member of the Yacht Club.

Return From Vienna

Dr. and Mrs. Richard J. Elvin have just returned from Vienna. They are spending the holidays at the home of Mrs. Elvin's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Foster, 545 Foul Bay Road. Dr. Elvin will resume his practice in Vancouver, after an absence of more than two years, spent in post graduate work in all the important medical centers of America and Europe.

Leaves for England

Joan Edwards, the little daughter of Major and Mrs. F. H. Edwards, left by Saturday afternoon's boat en route for England in order to commence her studies at the Royal School for Daughters of Officers of the Army at Landsdowne, Bath, England.

Has Recovered

The next dance of the series of invitation subscription dances at St. Mary's Hall, Oak Bay, is to be a fancy dress dance, and is being held on Friday night. All the limited number of tickets have been disposed of.

Dance on Friday

The little school dress made of kasha cloth is both smart and practical. Dark blue kasha makes the frock shown above, while the trimming treatment is supplied by dark blue kasha on which bright green lines form a cross-bar treatment.

Here for Week-End

Mr. Leslie Macnaughton, of Victoria, who is completing a mining engineering course at Washington State University, spent the week-end at his mother's home on Linden Avenue.

Return Home

Mrs. J. P. McConnell and her daughter, Miss Amy Elkins, have returned to their home, 1083 Richmond Avenue, Oak Bay, where they will remain for the balance of the winter.

Christmas Guests

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Barr, of Vancouver, were the guests of Mr. Gordon Grant, Campbell Building, over the Christmas holidays, returned to their Vancouver home yesterday.

Visit Vancouver

The Misses Jessie and Maple Winterburn, 418 Dallas Road, left last night for Vancouver, where they will be the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Weir for a few days.

Visits Vancouver

Mr. Moulton, of 130 Yates Street, is visiting here on his way to visit his brother, Mr. S. M. Bryan, Provincial Assessor, and Mrs. Bryan, of Vancouver.

Leave for Vancouver

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Goodman, who spent Christmas with Mrs. Goodman's parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Good, of Ashwood, have gone to Vancouver for the remainder of the holidays.

Returns to Ryde

Miss Cecily Neville, of Devonshire House, left on Saturday for New York, en route for her home in Ryde, Isle of Wight, after spending the past year visiting in B.C.

Goes to Portland

Mr. Godfrey L. Foulkes, of the Balmoral Hotel, is spending the Christmas holidays with his daughter, Mrs. A. A. Hayden, of Portland, Oregon.

At St. Joseph's Hospital

The many friends of Mr. H. Wynne-Davies (auctioneer) will regret to hear that he is confined to St. Joseph's Hospital with serious illness.

Honor Capt. Thackray

Officers of Work Point Barracks entertained at dinner on Monday night in honor of Captain Thackray, whose marriage to Miss Day takes place on Saturday.

In Vancouver

Lady Cameron recently left Victoria for Vancouver, where she is the guest of her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Lorne Cameron.

Goes to Vancouver

Miss Marquita Nichol left Governor

LITTLE GIRL'S FROCK OF PLAIN BLUE KASHA CHECKED WITH GREEN



Kasha makes an effective frock for the small girl as it does for her mother. The little school dress made of kasha cloth is both smart and practical. Dark blue kasha makes the frock shown above, while the trimming treatment is supplied by dark blue kasha on which bright green lines form a cross-bar treatment.

The little school dress made of green velvet ribbon, while wider green velvet ribbon pulled through white bone ornaments makes the bows at the waistline.

ment House a few days ago, and is the guest of Mrs. Norman Lang, Shaughnessy Heights, for a few days.

From Seattle

Miss Violet Ker, of Seattle, was the week-end visitor of Mrs. R. Y. Stewart, of 616 Linden Avenue, returning to Seattle on Monday.

Visits Victoria

Miss McPadden, of Cumberland, B. C., is spending a few days in the city, the guest of Miss Nellie Jones, Mount Edwards Apartments.

Guest for a Few Days

Dr. and Mrs. E. H. Griffiths, 1215 Oscar Street, have as their guest for a few days Mr. Ernest Bull, of Vancouver.

Brief Visit

Mr. Edwin McLean, of the University of British Columbia, is the guest of Mr. William Pollard for a few days.

Makes Recovery

The many friends of Mr. John Fullerton, 1945 Ash Street, will be pleased to know that he has recovered from his recent indisposition.

Visit Victoria

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Hill-Irving have arrived in Victoria, and are the guests of Dr. and Mrs. Cockburn, MacKenzie Street, for New Year.

Visits Vancouver

Mr. Van Norcross, of Victoria, spent the week-end in Vancouver, visiting his aunt, Miss Norcross.

From Vancouver

Miss Frances Bennett, of Vancouver, is the visitor of Miss "Patsy" Hemming, Beach Drive, for a few days.

Vancouver Visitor

Mr. Angus McLean, of Vancouver, is the guest of Mr. George Fatt, 601 Trutch Street.

New Year's "At Home"

The Garrison officers of Work Point Barracks will be "at home" on New Year's Day from 2 till 5.

Will Not Receive

Mrs. Greer, wife of Colonel H. C. Greer, Esquimalt Road, will not be "at home" on New Year's Day.

B.C.E.R. EMPLOYEES' CLUB

The B.C.E.R. Employees' Social Club will hold its next event on Wednesday, January 7, and not on New Year's Eve, as has been generally rumored.

Plans for Wednesday, the 7th, have been completed for an informal dance at the Caladonia Hall, 5:30 to 11:15. With O'Garra's four-piece orchestra in attendance.

A decorative scheme appropriate to the season of the year is being worked out that will transform the appearance of the hall out of all recognition. Then, too, a committee is hard at work preparing something in the nature of a surprise stunt to be pulled off during the course of the evening.

The usual buffet supper will be served at 10 o'clock, and a large turnout of the employees and their friends is anticipated at this opening event of the New Year.

OFFICERS INSTALLED

The regular meeting of Queen of the Island Lodge, No. 309, I. O. B. A., was held on December 18, the installation of officers taking place. The R. W. G. Mistress Sister Doane acted as installing officer. Sister Ogilvie, W. M.; Sister Sadler, D. M.; Sister Hay, Chaplain; Sister Armstrong, recording secretary; Sister Elsom, financial secretary; Sister Griffin, treasurer; Sister Dinsley, director of ceremonies; Sister Davis, P. Lecturer; Sister Doherty, Sec. Lecturer; Sister McVie, inside guard; Sister McIntyre, outside guard; Sister Winter, first committee lady; Bro. McVie, guardian.

Sister Armstrong, Past Mistress, was presented with the Past Mistress Jewel, after which a social evening was spent, when refreshments were served.

At the close of the next regular meeting on January 15 a New Year gathering is to take place, to which all members and their families are invited to attend and bring refreshment.

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Dr. McLaren, of Vancouver, Delivers Address Against Movement Before Large Audience

Speaking before an audience that packed the schoolroom of the First Presbyterian Church, Dr. E. D. McLaren, of Vancouver, delivered an inspiring address against Church Union last night. He was supported in his arguments by Rev. David Lister, of Nanaimo, who made a brief but able address, and gave his audience new light on the subject.

Dr. McLaren sketched the history of the union movement from its inception, pointing out the only union contemplated was a real union of the whole three negotiating churches—a union that would leave no remnant of any one of the three churches to carry on its work alongside the United Church.

To this conception of union the assembly had committed itself in 1905. It reaffirmed that position in 1912. Dr. McLaren said, after the first vote of the people, which had been taken the previous Autumn. Of the vote then polled, the speaker said, 31 per cent was against union. The Assembly decided, therefore, to proceed no further at the time, but expressed the hope that practical unanimity might be secured after the result of further consideration.

Four years later, Dr. McLaren informed his audience, a second vote was taken, when the opposition was found to have increased to over 35 per cent. The Assembly performed a complete right-about-face, and decided to proceed to the consummation of the union.

Would Not Wait The speaker acknowledged that the situation had been complicated by the formation, in many of the smaller communities of union congregations, but he contended that the Assembly should have appealed to these congregations to be satisfied for a time with the large measure of advantages they had already secured, pointing out to them that the only union that could be effected at once would be one that would disrupt the Presbyterian church.

Unfortunately, a different policy was adopted, the doctor declared, and the result was the present situation. Union had been effected, but it was the very kind of union they had

solemnly declared they could never think of sanctioning. The next point taken by Dr. McLaren was the legislation prepared under the direction of the Union committee, which, he claimed, would have inflicted an outrageous injustice on the minority. Thousands of Presbyterians objected to having anything to do with the proposed new church, and yet the Union committee had the audacity to ask Parliament to pass an Act that would have forced these people into that church against their will, thus depriving them of one of their most cherished and sacred rights, the right of determining for themselves what their church connections should be.

The doctor was willing to admit that the committee might not have realized how bitterly their brethren resented the proposed interference with their liberty of conscience, but he blamed them for refusing to rectify the mistake they had made and persisting in the refusal for months, in spite of the protests and appeals that were made to them.

They did withdraw the coercive clause at the last moment, the minister said, but only when it seemed inevitable that Parliament would remove it from the bill.

Old Church to Stay He then discussed the new church as compared with the Presbyterian church, dealing separately with the functions of the Presbyterian church and with the calling and settlement of the ministers. In connection with the latter point he showed from the Basis of Union how widely the new church in its practice would differ from the Presbyterian, and what abuses might possibly come to exist.

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In-Mainland Politics



MRS. F. B. MCGARRIGLE

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In these matters if a union could be brought about that would be a real healing of the divisions of the church. It was a different matter, however, to make sacrifices that would accomplish practically nothing. The only effect the union now brought about, in so far as reducing the number of denominations was concerned, was the elimination of the Congregational church.

This being the case, and preferring most decidedly his own church to any of the others, he had come to the conclusion that his duty lay in the Presbyterian church.

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BIG AUDIENCE AT CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Four Hundred Last Evening Crowded at First Presbyterian Church Hall

An audience of about four hundred grown-ups and young people crowded the Sunday School room of the First Presbyterian Church last evening on the occasion of the annual Sunday School Christmas Entertainment. Every class took part in the programmes, and some quite unexpected talent was discovered in the course of the proceedings.

Rev. Dr. Wilson, the pastor, presided, and made some very encouraging and congratulatory remarks in connection with the presentation of awards to the winners in the Bible examinations held during the year. Twenty-nine of these prizes had to be

At the Playhouses

DOMINION Found—an American boy who doesn't want to grow up and be a President. Because Peter heard his mother say that one day he would grow up and be President, he ran away from home the day he was born. "I won't grow up and be President. I want to remain a boy and have fun," says the wonderful little woodland spirit whose story has appeared to millions since it first appeared on the stage of the Duke of York Theatre, London, December 27, 1904. Betty Bronson, selected by Barrie himself, plays the role of "Peter Pan." Ernest Torrence, Cyril Chadwick, Virginia Brown Faire and Anna May Wong are featured in the production which is now showing at the Dominion Theatre. Willis Goldbeck wrote the scenario and Roy Pomeroy assisted Bronson on the technical end of the picture.

PLAYHOUSE Who is the meanest man in the world? Is it the fellow who steals from the blind man on the corner? Is it the parent who beats the child? Is it the man who does not properly feed his horse? Is it the man who won't take his son to the circus? If you want to know who the "meanest man" is, visit the Playhouse Theatre next week and you will see him on the screen in "The Meanest Man in the World," the big First National release. Bert Lytell, long a great favorite of both stage and screen, plays the role of the "meanest man" and it is without a doubt the best performance he has yet given on the silver sheet.

CAPITOL Buster Keaton, whose new Metro-Goldwyn comedy, "The Navigator," is now showing at the Capitol Theatre, advertised for actors who can play multi-millionaire parts. A choice collection of extra people swarmed around the Keaton studio doors next day. Among them was an individual who evidently had only a faint idea what it was all about. "Do you think you could play the role of a multi-millionaire?" Buster asked him. "Well," replied the frayed looking extra, hesitatingly, "I've played millionaire parts, but I ain't never tackled multi-millionaire parts. That takes a lot of dog, don't it?"

COLUMBIA Buck Jones has done it again, now showing at the Columbia Theatre, the newest William Fox production at the Columbia Theatre, where it must close tonight. No time to lose for lovers of two-fisted cowboy courage, who would thrill with Buck as, handcuffed, he rides down the Sherbrooke, then will handcuffed, leaps to a moving train, and crawling on to a brake-beam, cuts apart his shackles on the revolving car-wheel. It's the thrill of a life-time!

COLISEUM "The Loves of Mary Queen of Scots," now showing at the Coliseum Theatre, is, perhaps, the most beautiful film ever made in England. The costumes and the scenery are perfect, and the acting, especially of Fay Compton as the Queen, Ellen Compton as Queen Elizabeth, and Gerald Ames as Bothwell, is splendid.

VICTORIA WELCOMES RETURN OF ORIGINALS TO ROYAL VICTORIA

Just as we love to hear old melodies, so do we like to see old faces again. The Originals, that brilliant group of soldier-fun-makers, who have with them many of the original Dumbells, will be back in town again next Monday at the Royal Victoria Theatre for three nights and one matinee with their latest and biggest fun show, "Stepping Out," headed by those ever-popular favorites, Gene Pearson, "The Male Gull Cluck," and Bob Anderson, Canada's cleverest character comedian, a native of Lancashire, with Alan Murray, Leonard Young (the Duchess), Bertram Langley, Jerry Braxford, etc. The company, as before, is under the management of Percy Campbell and directed by Leonard Young.

"Stepping Out" opens up with a reunion of the original Dumbells. Battery. From the time Bob Anderson enters as John Willie Shuffbottom, the piece is one continuous roar. Gene Pearson plays the role of Madame Helena, an opera singer, and is the most convincing operatic star we have seen for many a long

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OVER 600 NEEDY YOUNGSTERS HAVE GREAT TIME

Santa Claus Brings Present for Every Child at Annual Christmas Tree—Fine Programme Enjoyed

Over six hundred of Victoria's poor kiddies had the time of their young lives yesterday afternoon when they were guests of the Rotary Club at its annual Christmas tree entertainment. The big and successful function was held in the auditorium of the Chamber of Commerce, which was crowded to capacity by the happy kiddies and their mothers.

The event was undoubtedly the most successful of its character ever conducted by the local Rotary organization, which was congratulated upon the excellence of the entertainment and the spirit which prompted the giving of joy and Christmas spirit to those who were less fortunate than the majority on December 25 last.

Merchandise and gifts were distributed to the happy youngsters, ranging in ages from tiny tots to twelve years of age; and the shouting, noise and gaiety of the youngsters indicated the delightful time that the children were experiencing, and brought pleasure and gratification to those who conducted the show and others who witnessed the successful operation of the entertainment.

The children, accompanied by their mothers, reached the scene of festivity at 3 p.m., and immediately upon their arrival partook of a sit-down supper, which was greatly enjoyed. The fare consisted of tea, bread, milk, cake and ice cream, and, needless to say, the refreshments disappeared in rapid order when the youngsters started to eat.

Then came the entertainment, and the fine programme of joy was carried out without hesitation, and, judging by the laughter and applause, the merriment provided by the various contributing artists was greatly appreciated. A Punch and Judy show, staged by Mr. William E. Farmer, created loads of fun, and was followed by "deafening" comedy's splendid characterization of the happenings at a Jewish wedding. Yorkie, the ventriloquist, as usual, proved a big hit, and the kiddies and their mothers were greatly entertained by the hilarious antics of the troupe, augmented for the occasion, played a good programme of musical numbers.

And then, what a noise when Father Christmas in the person of Mr. Frank Hunter, made his appearance. The kiddies were crazed with joy at the sight of Santa Claus, and old St. Nick, possibly received one of the most cordial and warmest welcomes he had ever been given. Santa proved a generous person, and distributed the gifts from the beautifully lighted Christmas tree giving a present to every child there. In addition to toys, every kiddie was presented with fruit and chocolate bars. They were certainly sent home happy, after spending a wonderful afternoon.

The invitation list of children and mothers was supplied by the Friendly Help Association, which is in touch with the needy cases in the community. Over thirty families, living a long distance from the entertainment hall, were transported to and from the party by Rotarians, who volunteered assistance for this purpose.

The Rotary Christmas tree entertainment expense was entirely borne by members of the Rotary Club, and an energetic committee, under the leadership of Mr. H. H. Brechler, carried out the arrangements for the party in most efficient style. Wives of Rotary members rendered valuable assistance.

The Rotarians wish to extend thanks to those professional musicians who gave their services in augmenting the club orchestra during the entertainment, and to the local merchants, who gave the best possible prices to the committee when it made its purchases.

TRUSTEE'S DEPARTURE CAUSE OF REGRETS

School Board Members Voice Appreciation of Services of Mr. Alexander Smith

Mutual regrets coupled with appreciative sentiments were expressed at the School Board meeting last evening in connection with the retirement from office of Trustee Alexander Smith. Those two-year terms has come to an end. The regular business of the meeting had just been completed and the session was about to go into camera when Trustee J. L. Beckwith rose on behalf of the finance committee to express his very deep regret at the retirement from office of one of their most esteemed members, whose departure he would feel with a sense of personal loss. Trustee Litchfield, in his sentiment, adding that he nevertheless intended still to look upon Trustee Smith as a friend to whom he could go for sound advice in matters educational when difficulties arose.

Chairman George Jay, on behalf of the whole board, joined in the expressions of regret. Trustee Smith had given their body services and advice of the very greatest value. After Mr. Smith had expressed his thanks for the kindly sentiments, his own regret that he was leaving relations with the Board, and appreciation for the very cordial relations which had existed at all times between him and the other trustees, he gave his assurances that although no longer a member of their body he would continue to take a great interest in their deliberations.

The concluding feature of the proceedings was Chairman Jay's little speech of thanks to his colleagues on the Board. The satisfactory state of the budget, with a balance on the right side, was coupled with the gratifying knowledge that the teaching staff of the city schools was consistently strengthening year by year until today it stood in a better position than ever before. To Inspector Dean, had he been present, he would have liked to express his cordial thanks and appreciation. His care, thought and sound advice had greatly helped the city teaching staff to attain its present standing. To the secretary, Mr. Pope, very cordial thanks were also expressed.

Ratepayers of Oak Bay Will Meet on Saturday Evening

The opening shot in the Oak Bay election campaign will be fired on Saturday night, when a public meeting of ratepayers of the municipality will be held at 8 o'clock in the Council Chamber, at the Oak Bay Municipal Hall. Matters pertaining to the affairs of the district will be discussed, and all ratepayers in Oak Bay are invited to be present. It is not unlikely that members of the present Council, School Board and Police Commission will attend.

WINNIPEG FAILURE A GIGANTIC FRAUD

MUSICAL CONCERN FAKED MILLION DOLLAR BUSINESS

Trustees of Defunct Hearst Publishing Company Expose Huge Swindle by Promoter

WINNIPEG, Dec. 30.—The Hearst Music Publishing Company of Canada, the million dollar financial bubble which recently exploded here with heavy loss to shareholders in Manitoba, transacted business to the amount of \$142,000 during its three years of existence, according to an interim report of the Trustee's Trust Company, which, as custodian of the estate, revealed this information to the directors and shareholders today.

According to the books maintained at the head offices of the company in Winnipeg, the defunct concern did a total business of \$1,333,000. Of this amount the trustees discovered that \$1,125,000 was fictitious.

A Gigantic Fraud
The gigantic fraud, it was said, had been perpetrated by account forms apparently taken without consent of the firms with whom the Hearst Music Publishers were doing business.

In reply to queries from shareholders, the trust company declared that the limited assets of the company would be completely absorbed toward realizing liabilities, and that the shareholders could not hope to get anything out of the debris. Liabilities were shown to reach a total of \$33,414.97, which is considerably below the original estimate, several creditors having reduced their claims since the trustees were appointed. Added to the general list of creditors are a number of sundry amounts, which will boost the liabilities to nearly \$45,000. Against this amount there are apparent assets of \$30,000, but it is pointed out that one of the largest items figured in the amount is stock of printed music, on which there is some doubt whether anything will ever be realized. An effort will be made to obtain a refund from the Dominion Government of about \$15,000 income tax which was paid on business that never existed. The Trustee's Trust Company was appointed permanent trustees of the estate, while Gordon A. Hunter, of Crook & MacDonald, was appointed inspector.

Alaskan natives are given a part of the government's reindeer for handling them.

GULF ISLAND SERVICE

In addition to the service operated by the R.R. Otter to Gulf Island points from Victoria every Monday at 7:15 a.m. and Wednesdays at 8:00 a.m., the S.S. Chamer leaves Victoria every Tuesday at 12 noon, calling at Fort Washington, Ganges Harbor, Mayne Island thence to Vancouver, arriving there about 8:30 p.m. The Chamer also leaves Vancouver every Monday at 8:30 a.m., calling at these points, arriving at Victoria about 4:30 that afternoon. (Advt.)

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NEWS OF THE SPORTING WORLD

Two Soccer Clubs Only Gained Maximum Points

Leaders and Tailenders of First Division of English League Each Secured Three Victories in Holiday Engagements—Liverpool Lost Opportunity Through Postponement—Notts County Suffered Total Eclipse

By A. B. BROWN

WEST Bromwich Albion, at the top of the First Division of the English Football League, and Preston North End, the club at the foot of the table, had the most profitable experience during the three days' soccer that concluded Saturday afternoon. The teams gained the maximum number of nine points at stake, with three victories, and they were the only two clubs in this division to earn six points. Huddersfield Town and Sheffield United, however, came very close with two wins and a draw, or five points each. Liverpool, too, did well, with maximum points in two consecutive games, and were deprived of the opportunity of going still further ahead on the third day, as their game was postponed.

West Bromwich Supreme

Perhaps the outstanding feature of the games during Christmas was the splendid form shown by West Bromwich Albion, the total eclipse of Notts County, with three successive defeats, and the wonderful revival of Preston North End. The Albion began its Christmas programme one point ahead of Huddersfield, and the club not only held its position at the head of the table but increased its lead to two points. Besides, the "Throstles" had to tackle strong opposition, as they had to meet Manchester City at home and away, and Notts County at Nottingham. West Bromwich is entitled to the top berth on their excellent showing.

Bad Blow for Notts

The failure of Notts County has practically knocked the club out of the league race for some time, at least. Indeed, the holiday period for the Nottingham club was dismal in the extreme. The County again Forest played six games, and neither won a match, the only consolation being one point for the Forest out of a possible twelve for the two clubs. Huddersfield is still well in the running, and inflicted two heavy defeats on Burnley, but shared in a no-score draw at home with Newcastle. Sheffield United had a most exciting programme—two games with Sunderland—the United won them both—and the third with the Borens, away, which was drawn. A continuance of this form will soon place the club free of the danger zone.

Preston North End won three games in as many outings last week, and yet the team gained only the same number of victories in their previous twenty engagements.

There is going to be a keen struggle at the foot of the table to avoid relegation. The Preston stock got a splendid boost last week-end, and Notts County and Burnley's prospects got a bad shake-up.

Derby Still Leading

Derby County is still on the top of the Second Division, although the team won only a single game out of three engagements. The side beat Oldham Athletic 1-0 at home; then drew with Oldham, and again shared in a draw at Hull. The County is in the highest score in the league, yet in three successive games the forwards obtained only one goal per match.

Manchester United met their Waterloo at Leicester on Saturday when the club won by 3-0. This was one of the outstanding results of the day. Leicester, by the way, beat Derby County recently, also by 3-0, so that their record against the leaders is noteworthy.

Chelsea Going Strong

Chelsea continue to threaten the leaders in the Second Division, and the "Penelopers" were the only players in this section to collect six points during the holidays. They beat Watford twice, 1-0 each time, and Coventry City by 2-0. Full points without losing a single goal is certainly good going.

The London clubs in the Second Division had a most profitable afternoon Saturday. Chelsea won 3-0 at Coventry; Clapton, at home, beat Blackpool, 1-0; Crystal Palace went to Sheffield and got the better of Wednesday, 1-0; while Fulham drew, 1-1, at home, with Bradford City.

Thus seven points were obtained out of a possible eight; six goals were scored and only one lost.

Longboat Wants Race

With Paavo Nurmi, Is Asking Reinstatement

BUFFALO, N.Y., Dec. 30.—Tom Longboat, the Indian long-distance runner, has begged up here again. He wants a chance to run against Paavo Nurmi, when the great Finn appears here.

"Of course, Nurmi is an amateur and I am a professional, and he will not turn professional," said Longboat, "but I am going to ask the Niagara district branch of the Amateur Athletic Union to reinstate me."

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Donates Soccer Cup

Through the generosity of Mayor Reginald Hayward the Wednesday League Football Association has now a handsome silver cup for competition.

The cup will hereafter be known as the "Hayward Cup."

In presenting his gift, Mayor Hayward appointed two trustees, Mr. A. H. Walker, president of the Lower Island Football Association, and Mr. Alex. Robertson, a member of the B.C.F.A.

league—and Rangers won on both occasions.

The league standings follow:

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The Colonist's Pictorial Page



Mme. Hanna Hontby, noted Hungarian footlight star, has won continental fame by her beauty and a handsome movie contract to appear on the screen



Mrs. Julia P. Lombard, socially prominent in New York, brought down this deer, weighing 150 pounds, with the first shot, at Wonalancet, N.H., where she is raising a new breed of dogs for racing purposes



It is said that Anatasie Veregin, niece of the late Peter Veregin, former leader of the Doukhobors in Canada, has ambitions to succeed to her uncle's place



The first beauty contest to be held at sea was won by Mrs. W. P. Runyon, of New York, who was voted the prettiest woman on board the ship by passengers and crew



This new Poirot model has sleeves inspired by the old stocking mits, worn at will to show the shoulder and upper arm



Babe Ruth takes his batting practice during the winter with an axe and a pile of wood on his farm at Sudbury, Mass



Dan Cupid won a love match recently when the former Miss Lesue Bancroft, one of America's foremost tennis players, became the bride of Charles F. Aeschliman, a



This is called the "worst cellar" in the world. It is located in the Federal Building, New York, and contains 5,000 bottles of alleged whiskey, which in the past three weeks has caused ten deaths, twenty cases of blindness and a number of other casualties



Judge Bull, one of the delegates from Nevada, now touring California, boosting a big highway exposition to held at Reno in 1926, claims to be a living image of Abraham Lincoln



Communists attempted to attack Premier Herriot France when he visited Roubaix some days ago. The trouble hunters found plenty of trouble when the police and detectives got busy. One of the 142 who were seized is shown being taken in



John E. Parker, police official of Gloucester, Mass., had been bothered with the activities of bootleggers in his district; so, to catch them, dressed up as a young lady and joined their "ring"



The body of Samuel Gompers, late head of the American Federation of Labor, was taken to Washington, where it was placed on view for six hours before being moved to Sleepy Hollow for burial



Francis Wood, aged 80, recently started from Bath to London, England, pushing his kit in a child's push-cart, from there to Paris by airplane and on to Ypres by foot, to be back in London by Christmas



Dr. and Mrs. Sun Yat Sen were recent visitors at Tokio before attending the meeting of the Big Four at Peking, China. He is the foremost leader of the Chinese Republican movement and a graduate of an American college



Senor Ignacio Zuloaga, Spanish painter extraordinary, arrived in New York recently to view some famous paintings on this continent and also to exhibit more



Pancho Villa, holder of the world's lightweight title, was photographed with two of his young admirers at Manila in the Philippine Islands, on his first visit home since he won his title

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Coats of Popular Cloths \$35.00 to \$45.00 Values on Sale for \$23.75

Coats of Vella-Bloom, French Cut Velour, Marvella, Duvetyn, Velour and Flamingo. These are trimmed with cable stitching, embroidery, cloth covered or pearl buttons, fancy strappings and self materials. Some have turn-back cuffs, on others the sleeves are gathered into a neat cuff. They have collars and cuffs of fitch, opossum or choker collar of electric seal. Other coats are trimmed with Thibetina. Shown in straight lines with side fastening, side tie or belt; convertible collars, to be worn open or closed, and all fully lined. Shades are brown, navy, black, fawn, green, sandalwood and taupe. Sizes 16 to 44. Regular prices \$35.00 to \$45.00. On sale for **\$23.75**

Fur-Trimmed and Plain Coats \$42.00 to \$47.00 Values for \$29.75

Plain Tailored and Fur-Trimmed Coats. Tailored styles are belted, have inverted pleat at back, sleeves finished with straps and buttons, slit or patch pockets and convertible collars. They have shoulder lining, and shown in shades brown, fawn, green and blue. The Fur-Trimmed Coats are made of velour and Bolivia cloth, in straight lines and finished with buttons and fancy stitchings; fully lined. The furs used in trimming are tinted opossum and Thibetina. Shades are brown, black, sand and taupe. Sizes 16 to 47. Regular prices \$42.00 to \$47.50. On sale, each, **\$29.75**

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Afternoon Frocks of Canton crepe, flat crepe, satin and georgette crepe; a few velvet and vella cloth. The trimmings are varied, showing embroidery, braiding, buttons, piping, lace, beading and ribbon. The shades include black, navy, cocoa, nigger and lunglow brown, fawn, sand, grey, powder blue, French blue, rose, henna, rust, sea and jade green, tango, orange, apricot and mauve. They are fashioned with either long, short or no sleeves, round necks or collared, and straight line or belted waists. Sizes 16 to 48. Regularly priced from \$17.50 to \$49.75. Now selling from **\$9.95 to \$29.75**

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Shown in desirable shades, embroidery and tinsel braid trimmed, long sleeves, round and scarf collared necks, smocked and shirred waistlines and some with straight panels back and front. Marvelous values. Sizes 16 to 40. Regular \$25.00 dresses on sale for **\$10.00**

Still a Few Imported Frocks Selling at Half Price

French and English Frocks for afternoon and evening wear. Our very latest shipment from Europe. Dresses that will be appreciated by the woman of discernment, as the styles will be popular two years hence. Shown in black, grey, brown, sand, American Beauty, white, fuchsia, flame, Stephanie; models in green velvet and cloth of gold combination and a black satin and gold brocade evening gown and court train. Sizes from 16 to 42.

A Sale of Women's Sweaters

Cardigans, Pull-Overs and
Jacquettes on Sale
for \$2.98 and
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Cardigans of camel yarn, with long sleeves and patch pockets, and sleeveless cardigans of plain knit, in fawn, pearl, navy and black. Jacquettes of flame colored brush wool, trimmed with black collar, cuffs and band. Heather mixture pull-overs and the "Avon" pull-over in all-over patterns in silk and wool, and English cardigans in brushed wool or plain knit, in shades of fawn, pearl, black, navy and mixtures. Regular \$3.98 to \$10.75 values for **\$2.98 and \$4.98**

Imported Silk Jacquettes On Sale, Each, \$4.90

Very Pretty Silk Jacquettes in fancy or plain weaves, have long sleeves, roll collar and fasten to one side with buttons or tie. Many beautiful shades, including rose, sand, peach, fawn, brown, peacock and black and Paisley designs. Regular price \$10.75, for **\$4.90**

All-Wool English Cardigans On Sale for 98c Each

Cardigans in plain or fancy knit, long sleeves finished with knit-to-fit cuffs, two pockets and four-button fastening. Tweed Sweaters in plain cloth weave, with two pockets and tie belt. A few pull-overs in plain or fancy weaves; shown in all the desired shades and white. Regular prices \$1.95 to \$3.95, for **98c**

English Silk and Wool Pull-Overs Reg. \$11.95, on Sale for \$4.90

Pull-Overs made of an extra heavy crepe knit with V necks, collars and three-quarter sleeves, trimmed with mixed colors on sleeves, collar and around bottom. Many interesting color combinations are shown. Sizes 40 to 44. Regular \$11.94 values for **\$4.90**

Coats of Excellent Materials On Sale for \$7.50

Coats made of good grade velours, polo cloths, tweeds, Teddy bear cloths. Some are made with neat side panels of pin tucks, or trimmed with folds of self material. They have smart looking double convertible collars, sleeves with turn-back cuffs, or finished with straps. The coats are fully lined, button trimmed, and shown in various styles. Shades are grey, tan, brown, sand and taupe. Sizes 14 to 42. Regular value \$14.75 for **\$7.50**

Coats of Fine Grade Cloths On Sale for \$16.75

Coats made of all-wool velours, blanket cloth, cut velour, Teddy bear cloth and chevrot. Straight or tailored lines, trimmed with pin tucks, Thibetina and heaverine fur. They have bell sleeves, turn-back cuffs with straps, patch or slash pockets and one-button fastening. Some are trimmed with cable stitching. All fully lined. Shades are blue, brown, grey, black and fawn. Sizes 16 to 44. Regular price \$23.75 to \$29.75. On sale, each, **\$16.75**

Some Very Fine Coats \$49.75 to \$65.00 Values for \$33.75

Coats in novelty styles, plain and fur-trimmed effects. The materials consist of pressed plush, Bolivia cloth, duvetyn, marvella, velour and camel hair. Some in straight lines, others wrappy effects, and all neatly finished with the most popular trimmings and silk lined. The fur trimmings are represented by tinted opossum, Viatka squirrel, electric seal and tinted Thibetina. Shades include taupe, green, brown, grey, fawn, sand, navy, cocoa and black. Regular prices from \$47.50 to \$65.00. On sale for **\$33.75**

Wednesday Special Turkey Luncheon, 50c

Served from 11:30 a.m. to 2:15 p.m.
Dining-Room, Third Floor

Suggestions for New Year's Gifts in the Men's Furnishings

Handkerchiefs of white lawn **2 for 25c**
Handkerchiefs of pure linen, each, **25c, 35c, 50c**
Handkerchiefs of white linen, with initial **25c**
White Linen Handkerchiefs, with initial, at, each, **50c and 65c**
Men's Art Silk Knitted Ties, **50c, 75c and \$1.00**
Pure Silk Knitted Ties, each **\$1.50, \$2.25 and \$3.25**
Silk Ties with wide ends. A good selection at **75c to \$2.00**
Men's Armbands, a pair **25c, 35c, and 50c**
Garters, a pair **25c, 35c and 50c**
Braces, a pair **50c to \$1.50**
Men's Silk Socks for dress wear, colors and black, a pair **75c, \$1.00 and \$1.25**
Silk and Wool Socks, a pair **75c to \$1.00**
Cashmere Socks, colors and black, **50c and \$1.00**
Men's Art Silk and Wool Socks, fancy rib, good weight. Colors of Congo or white, log cabin, light grey and white, grey. Reg. \$1.00, on sale for **85c**

BOYS' OVERCOATS

Great Values—and for the Next Three Days

A Football Free With Each Purchase



Boys' Mackinaw Coats of heavy woolen cloth, dark shades, browns, greys, blues. They are well made, have heavy collars and patch pockets; full belted styles. In sizes 26 to 38. On sale for **\$5.95**

Heavy Overcoats in dark mixtures, including green, grey and brown. Well tailored and full lined. They have two-way collars; double breasted. Sizes 26 to 36. Each **\$10.00**

Heavy Tweed Overcoats, double breasted, with two-way collars, Raglan or set-in sleeves, and three-way belts. Very dressy. Shades are brown, grey and heather. Selling at **\$10.00 and \$12.50**

Boys' Heavy Tweed Overcoats of strong well-woven cloths. Made with Raglan or set-in sleeves, plain and patch pockets and three-piece belts. Sizes 27 to 36. Great value at **\$13.50 to \$20.00**

A Sale of Children's Coats

Remarkable Values

Coats of Velour and Blanket Cloth, made in belted styles, with neat beaverine collars and cuffs and slash pockets. Suitable for the ages of 2 to 5 years. Regular values \$10.75. On sale for **\$3.95 to \$5.95**

Children's Coats for the ages of 5 to 8 years. They are made of velour and blanket cloth, trimmed or untrimmed with beaverine collars. Belted styles trimmed with cable stitching and pockets. Regular values \$12.50. On sale, each, **\$7.00**

Girls' Coats of Velour and Blanket Cloth, with beaverine collars; straight or in belted styles, and for the ages of 9, 10 and 11 years. Shades are fawn, navy and grey. Regular \$15.00 values on sale for **\$9.00**

Girls' and Misses' Coats for the ages of 12 to 15 years. Made of bearcloth, velour and blanket cloth; fur trimmed or untrimmed, and having cable stitching or buttons; straight or belted styles in navy, brown and taupe. Regular values to \$25.00 on sale for **\$11.90**

Navy Reefer Coats of heavy Fox's serge; made double breasted and with brass buttons; have emblem on sleeve and are fully lined. Neat tailored collars and pockets with flaps. Sizes for 2 to 4 years. Regular \$8.95. On sale for **\$6.95**

Children's Raincoats in raglan style, with set-in sleeves, single or double breasted; belt and patch pocket. Made from waterproof materials. Sizes for 3 to 10 years. Regular \$6.75 values on sale for **\$2.75**



Women's Blouses

\$1.95 to \$17.95 Values on Sale for

\$1.00 to \$6.75

Fine Voile and Dimity Blouses, in tuck-in style, made with Peter Pan collars or frilly fronts, long or short sleeves, trimmed with imitation hem-stitching or lace; shown in white; also a few colored voiles trimmed with contrasting piping. Regular prices \$1.95 to \$2.75. Each **\$1.00**

Fine English Voile Blouses, in tuck-in style only. Have long sleeves, convertible collars or tuxedo collars and vestee fronts. Neatly finished with embroidery and lace trimming. Exceptional values. Regular \$4.95 for **\$1.50**

Heavy Jersey Silk Imported Jumpers, with short or three-quarter sleeves and round necks. In plain shades or beautiful mixed colors and figured designs. This selection includes a few hand-knitted jumpers. A good assortment of shades and sizes. Regular \$7.75 to \$13.95 values for **\$4.00**

Heavy Flannel Middies in regulation style, with long sleeves, finished around collar and cuffs with braid. Shown in navy, scarlet and saxe, with braid to match. Others are made in blouse style with band around bottom and finished with white linen Peter Pan collars and cuffs. Sizes 34 to 40. Regular \$3.95 and \$4.95 values for **\$2.75 and \$3.75**

These Blouses are made of excellent quality French Crepe de Chine, in slip-over or jacquette styles, with round, square or V necks, with or without collars, short or three-quarter sleeves, elaborately beaded in self colors or contrasting shades. Shown in rose, peach, sand, silver, dove, Nile, nigger, tan, emerald, navy, saxe, black and white. Regular \$13.95 to \$17.95 values for **\$6.75**

New English Broadcloth Blouses in excellent grade materials, over-blouse styles with long sleeves, neatly tailored link cuffs, Peter Pan or Bramley convertible collars, tucked or plain fronts, finished with colored or black and white tie of corded silk ribbon. Shades are sand, orchid, rose or white. Regular \$4.50 values for **\$2.75**

Brushed Wool Chappie Coats

Specially Priced at

\$7.69

Smart Knit Chappie Coats, "Universal" brand, of brushed wool, made with long bell sleeves and "Bobbie" collar, finished with braid of contrasting color and buttoned on the left side with large button; shown in fawn, brown and de Nile; sizes 34 to 42. Special, each **\$7.60**

BOYS' SUITS

Great Values for \$5.95
and \$12.75

A FOOTBALL WITH EACH SUIT

We have still a number of Footballs left, and for the next few days will give one with each suit—free.

Boys' Suits of excellent grade Union tweed and homespun. They are made with three-piece suits, well tailored and trimmed; the pants with governor fasteners. Wear resisting suits suitable for school wear. Sizes 30 to 35. Special **\$5.95**

Boys' Wool Tweed Suits, each with two pairs of pants. Single or double breasted models with pleated or plain pockets and three-piece belts. Neatly made and well tailored. On sale **\$12.75**